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REPORT

OF THE

Receipts and Expenditures

OF THE

Town of Middleton

FOR THE

Year Ending December 31, 1945

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Town Meeting Warrant

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Essex ss. To either of the Constables of the Town of Middleton, in the County of Essex:

GREETING:

In the name of The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhahitants of said Town, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, the twelfth day of March next, at eight o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To authorize the Selectmen to appoint such other Town Officers as are required to be chosen annually.

ARTICLE 2. To see what action the Town will take in regard to the letting of the Town Hall.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1946, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, Ceneral Laws.

ARTICLE 4. To see what action the Town will take to defray the Town expenses for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of $365.01 from the Dog Tax Refund to the Library Fund.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Electric Light Department to use the earnings of the department for the ensuing year, agreeable to the petition of the Electric Light Commissioners or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of $2,500.00 from the earnings of the Electric Light Department.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds in the treasury, the sum of $2,000.00 for the purchase of war bonds or other bonds that are legal investments for savings banks, in order to establish a post-war rehabilitation fund, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 5, Acts of 1943.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Assessors to use such free cash in the Treasury as they, in their best judgment, feel is warranted, and is approved by the Commissioner of Corporations and Taxation, for the purpose of reducing the tax rate.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $4,650.00 for the maintenance of Chapter 81—Roads; said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by Federal, State or County, or all, for this purpose.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,100.00 for the maintenance of Chapter 90—Roads, the same to be expended in conjunction with the State allotment.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the expenditure of $2,500.00 from the Road Machinery Fund to maintain equipment.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,700.00 to place subway grating on the Peabody Street Bridge or take what other action deemed advisable to make this bridge safe for travel.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $3,000.00 for the improvement of Essex Street; Said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County, or both, for this purpose (Chapter 90 Construction).

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to make permanent, the temporary increases granted the laborers and heads of various departments at the last annual Town Meeting, or take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to pay the Highway Surveyor a salary of $2,080.00 per year, this sum to be taken from the various highway appropriations.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town wishes to continue the Forest Fire Patrol as has been required by law the last three years.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following Zoning By-Law:—

Part 2, Section 4:7. Any of the following uses, provided it is not injurious, noxious, or offensive to the neighborhood, and only if authorized by the Board of Appeals:
(a) aviation field; (b) Cemetery; (c)Fur Farm; (d) Golf Club; (e) Gravel, loam, clay, or sand stripping or removal; (f) Greenhouse; (g) Hospital, convalescent home, sanitarium, or philanthropic use; (h) Ice harvesting and storage on the same premises; (i) Municipal use; (j) Riding stable; (k) Stone quarrying; (l) Telephone exchange, not including a service station or outside storage of supplies.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the appointment of a committee of five to investigate the needed repairs and improvements to the Old School Building, and report at the next annual Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the appointment of a committee of five to invesgate the further extensions of water mains and to report at the next annual Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to properly celebrate the return of the Men and Women who served in or were affiliated or associated with the Armed Forces of the United States in World War II, according to Chapter I, Acts of 1946.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to adopt Chapter 723, Acts of 1945, whereby Towns may establish and maintain municipal departments or form districts for furnishing information, advice and assistance to veterans of World War II or to other veterans.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the Building Laws as Amended by a Committee of five a ccording to Chapter 143, Section 3, General Laws:—or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 24. On petition of Ernest P. Goodale and thirty-eight others, to see if the Town will vote to prohibit the travel of trucks on King and Mount Vernon Streets, or take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 25. On petition of Alfred H. Kitchin and fourteen others, to see if the Town will vote to widen Mount Vernon Street mainly by the brook and old cemetery, or take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 26, On petition of Joseph Picariello and twenty-four others, to see if the Town will vote to accept 2,000 feet of Haswell Park Extension and to raise money for any necessary improvement of the same.

ARTICLE 27. On petition of Edwin W. Whitehouse and twenty others, to see if the Town will vote to accept a portion of Spring Road as far as Acorn Street and a portion of Acorn Street as far as Lawrence L. Chute's house.

ARTICLE 28. On petition of Harold E. Tyler and fourteen others, to see if the Town will vote to accept Lakeview Avenue (off North Main Street) or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 29. On petition of Ernest P. Goodale and twenty others, to see if the Town will vote to allow the Boy Scouts of said Town to erect a building to be used for recreational purposes, on Recreation Park in said Town, or on other land owned by said Town suitable for the purposes above mentioned.

ARTICLE 30. On petition of John W. Campbell and forty-nine others, to see if the Town will vote to extend the street lights on River Street from Sleet's corner to tbe end of the existing power lines, also Hilldale and Belleview Avenues.

ARTICLE 31. On petition of Marie Murphy and twenty-two others, to see if the Town will vote to install a light on Liberty Street at the intersection of Spring Road and Lakeview Avenue, to lessen the danger of accidents. Electric poles are located at proposed site of installation.

ARTICLE 32. On petition of George B. Ellis and nine others, to see if the Town will vote to adopt and enact the following By-Laws:—

1. No street shall be accepted by the Town unless it is laid out fifty feet wide, graded and drained the full width and all banks sloped not less than one up, two out. A travel road way twenty-five feet wide shall have all loam, subsoil, roots, stumps, boulders and ledge removed for one foot below the finish grade then brought to grade with good road gravel crowned four inches. No grade shall exceed 10%. The street or streets must connect with an accepted street. There shall not be any dead end street unless a turning area one hundred feet in diameter is provided finished same as travel roadway. If any part of this rule is not followed the Selectmen shall have prominent signs erected warning that no permits will be granted for building on these premises.
2. No lot shall be sold on new developments less than seventy-five feet wide and one hundred feet deep.

You are hereby ordered to notify and warn said qualified voters to meet at the Town Hall, on Monday, March 18, next for the following purposes, viz: To choose by ballot the following Town Officers for the ensuing year:

Moderator, Town Clerk, Treasurer, three Selectmen, one member of the Board of Public Welfare for three years, one Assessor for three years, one member of the School Committee for three years, Highway Surveyor, Tax Collector, Tree Warden, Constable, Superintendent of Burials, one Electric Light Commissioner for three years, two Trustees of the Flint Public Library for three years, one Cemetery Commissioner for three years, Custodian of the Town Hall, also vote on the two following referendums: 1. Shall the By-Laws of the Town of Middleton be amended by the addition of the following section of Chapter 1?

"Beginning at the annual Town Meeting in 1947 the length of the term of office of Treasurer shall be three years". Yes No

2. Shall the Town vote to accept the provisions of Section 6D, Chapter 40 of the General Laws, which authorizes Cities and Towns to appropriate money for the removal of snow and ice from public ways therein open to public use? Yes No

The polls will be open at 6:00 A. M. and shall be closed at 6:00 P. M.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof at the Town Hall, Post Office, and Store at Howe Station, in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this fifth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-six.

GEORGE B. OGDEN,
HAROLD M. BISHOP,
CLARENCE OSGOOD, Jr.
Selectmen of Middleton,

A true copy.
Attest: WALTER H. MILBERRY, Constable.

World War 2

In honor of the Men and Women of Middleton who have entered the Armed Forces

Courage

Ernest C. Anderson
Alfred R. Arling
Robert H. Arling

Clarence Baker
Gerald A. Ballard
Lloyd F. Ballard
Waynewright A. Ballard
Robert E. Barbrick
Henry H. Barrowclough, Jr.
Lawrence K. Barthelemy, Jr.
Walter C. Barthelemy
Antonio Blais
Leopold S. Blais
Edwin T. Boodro
Charles T. Brackett
Montelle Bradbury
Elmer C. Brown
Richard C. Burke
Henry Byko
Peter Byko
Stephen Byko

Charles I. Campbell
Elmer O. Campbell, Jr.
Leonard A. Campbell
William M. Clapp
Raymond Clark
Everett A. Clarke
Benjamin W. Clay, Jr.
Charles S. Clinch, Jr.
Chester E. Clinch
Edward E. Coffin, Jr.
Frank Colburn
Raymond N. Colby
Chester E. Cook
Thomas F. Cousins
Richard Cressey
Charles O. Currier
Donald R. Currier
Elmer G. Currier
Harold E. Currier
Madeline A. Currier
Raymond H. Currier
Grace E. Curtis

Rudolph A. Dane
William L. Dearborn
John P. Donaldson
Daniel J. Donovan
James F. Donovan
John E. Donovan
James F. Dow
Barbara F. Doyle
Robert E. Duclow
John F. Dudley
Richard W. Dukeshire

Sefton B. Earl
Walter F. Eddington
Lansing English
Willis W. Esty, Jr.
Arthur M. Evans

Clement W. Evans
William F. Flynn
Donald B. Foss
Arthur H. Frazier
Robert P. Fuller

Elliott Galeucia
Martha W. Galeucia
Parker E. Gifford
James G. Goodale
Paul W. Goodale
Robert D. Greeke

William H. Harding
Kenneth W. Hilton
Edward F. Hocter
John J. Hocter, Jr.
William J. Hocter
Richard E. Hood
James L. Horne
Francis L. Hurd
Thomas F. Hynes

Rupert W. Jenkins
Eldon F. Judge
Sidney Judge

George L. Katz
Stanley-Hall King
Alfred H. Kitchin, Jr.
Stanley W. Klosowski
Tony J. Kokoska

Richard J. LaBonte
Margaret J. Larson
Michael Lavorgna
Nicholas Lavorgna
Edward H. Leary
Ernest F. LeBeau
Francis T. LeColst
Paul C. LeColst
Gardner C. Lee
Anson T. Lindley

John MacKinnon
Chester R. MacLean
Donald F. MacLean
James D. MacLean
John S. MacLean
LeRoy J. MacLean
Arthur A. Magee
Albert A. Martin
James K. Martin
William T. Martin, Jr.
Raymond R. Maxwell
James L. Mayne
Warren Mayne
Raymond E. McKenney
Jean K. McSheehy
Mary E. Meagher
Henry Michalski
John W. Millbery
Harold C. Mitchell
Alden F. Moreland
Frederick B. Moreland
Grant B. Morrison
Warren F. Morse
Richard E. Morton
Harold Murphy
Richard M. Murphy
John Muzichuk

Harland S. Nash

Benjamin F. Ogden
James H. Ogden
Theodore R. Ogden

Valor

Arthur T. Page, Jr.
Warren E. Page
Clayton S. Parker
Ralph I. Parshley
Warren F. Parshley
George A. Peachey
Ralph L. Peaslee
Richard H. Peaslee
Richard H. Peaslee
William H. Peaslee
Eugene J. Pelletier, Jr.
Charles H Phaneuf
John J. Phaneuf
Joseph A. Phaneuf
Francis F. Picariello
Joseph Picariello
Joseph E. Pickard
Henry B. Pickering
John Pickering, Jr.
Timothy Pickering
John W. Porter
Marguerite A. Poulsen
Marjorie C. Poulsen

Alfred E. Richards
Albert H. Richardson
Francis A. Richardson
Warren P. Richardson
John C. Rizya
Donald W. Roberts
Elwood N. Roberts
Richard L. Roode
Robert E. Roode
John H. Ross
Fred Rubchinuk
John Rubchinuk
Perry W. Russell
Richard G. Ryan
Thomas H. Ryer

Alford L. Saulnier
Joseph P. Saulnier
Robert J. Sawyer
David A. Sheldon
Oscar H. Sheldon
Robert M. Sillars
Robert L. Stennick
Thomas L. Stennick
Arthur L. Stewart
Wilfred J. Swindell
Elmer W. Thomas
Robert F. Thomas
Edward J. Tremblay

Douglas B. Veinotte
Francis A. Veinotte
Francis P. Viera

Donald R. Waterman
James P. Webber
Norman D. Welch
Shirley I. Welch
Ebbe B. Wennerberg
Evert F. Wennerberg
Nils A. Wennerberg
Ralph I. Wennerberg
Anita C. Williams
Leo Williams
Wilbur A. Witham
Harland C. Wood

In Memorium

ROBERT W. BURKE
S 1c USCG
Missing in Action
Dec. 22, 1942

DAVID H. CURRIER
S 2/c USN
Missing in Action
Feb., 1943

CHARLES
G. CURTIS, JR.
Lt. USAAF
Killed in Action
Feb. 21, 1944

JOSEPH A. DONOVAN
S 1/c USN
Killed in Action
1942

GARDNER GALEUCIA
Staff Sgt. USAAF
Killed in Action
Dec. 15, 1942

DONALD MEAGHER
Pvt. USA
Killed in Action
Aug. 7, 1944

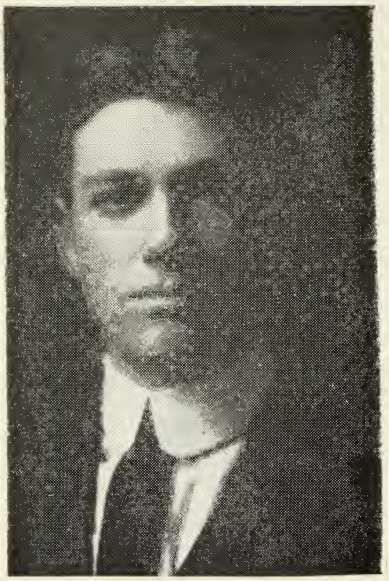
ALFRED D. PHANEUF
Pfc. USA
Killed in Action
Sept. 2, 1944

RUSSELL D. ROODE
T/5 USA
Missing in Action
June 9, 1942

LEWIS O. RYER, JR.
Lt. USAAF
Killed in Action
Nov. 2, 1942

ALVAR H.
WENNERBERG
Pfc. USA
Killed in Action
June 2, 1944

"They shall not have died in vain"



HERBERT BRAY WILKINS

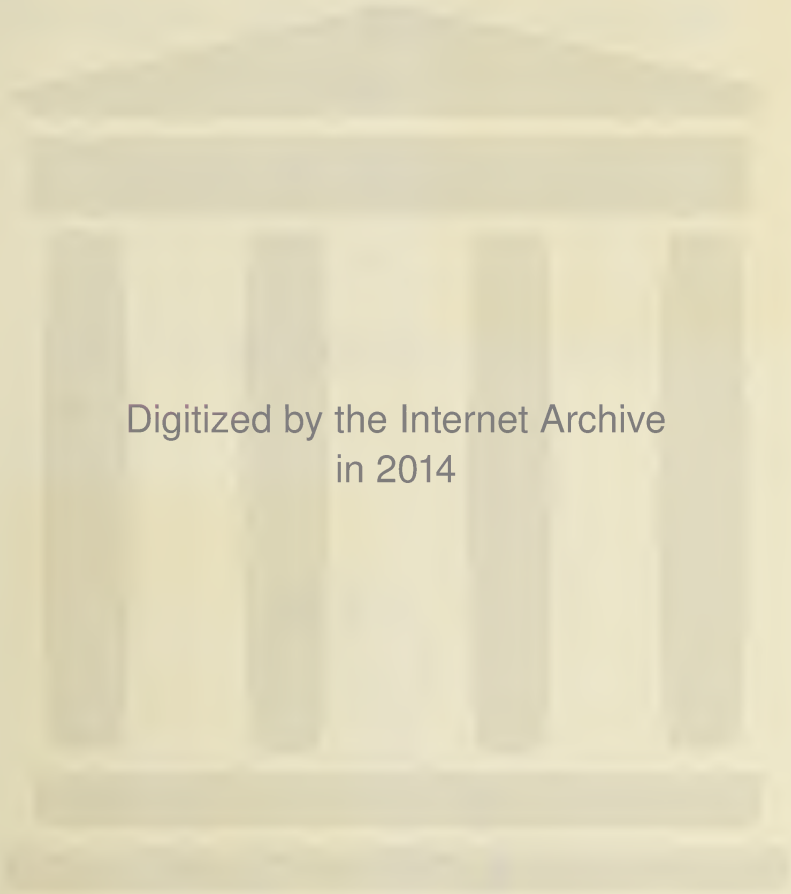
1888-1945

Inspector of Animals	1940-1945
Inspector of Slaughtering	1941-1945

ELSWORTH E. KNOWLTON

1901-1945

Board of Registrars	1942-1943
Town Moderator	1943-1945



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FOR THE

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Town Officers

Moderator

*Ellsworth E. Knowlton	Term expires March, 1946

Town Clerk

Elmer P. Morrill	Term expires March, 1946

Treasurer

Marion E. Mitchell	Term expires March, 1946

Selectmen and Board of Health

George B. Ogden, Chairman	Term expires March, 1946
Harold M. Bishop, Clerk	Term expires March, 1946
Clarence Osgood, Jr.	Term expires March, 1946

Board of Public Welfare

Charles Pasquale, Chairman	Term expires March, 1947
Leslie E. Merrifield, Clerk	Term expires March, 1946
Wilbur E. Rundlett, Jr.	Term expires March, 1948

Board of Assessors

Paul B. Wake, Chairman	Term expires March, 1948
Archibald L. Jones, Clerk	Term expires March, 1946
Harold M. Bishop	Term expires March, 1947

School Committee

Raymond W. Silvernail, Chairman	Term expires March, 1948
Mrs. Alice K. Cass, Clerk	Term expires March, 1947
Seaver L. Macdonald	Term expires March, 1946

Highway Surveyor

Benj. F. Ogden	Term expires March, 1946

Tax Collector

Harold E. Tyler	Term expires March, 1946

Tree Warden

Benjamin F. Ogden	Term expires March, 1946

* Deceased

Moth Superintendent

Benjamin F. Ogden — Term expires January, 1946

Constable

Walter H. Milbury — Term expires March, 1946

Chief of Police

Walter H. Milbury — Term expires May, 1946

Superintendent of Burial

Richard N. Maxwell — Term expires March, 1946

Inspector of Animals

Leonard Smith — Term expires May, 1946

Inspector of Slaughtering

Leonard Smith — Term expires May, 1946

Town Accountant

Elmer O. Campbell — Term expires May, 1948

Forest Fire Warden

Benjamin F. Ogden — Term expires January, 1946

Chief of Fire Department

Benjamin F. Ogden — Term expires May, 1946

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Louis V. Moreau — Term expires May, 1946

Electric Light Commissioners

Richard B. Floyd, Chairman	Term expires March, 1948
Charles Bates, Clerk	Term expires March, 1947
A. L. Jones	Term expires March, 1946

Electric Light Manager

A. B. Harrington — Term expires May, 1946

Trustees Flint Public Library

Harley M. Tyler	Term expires March, 1946
Marion E. Mitchell	Term expires March, 1946
William T. Martin	Term expires March, 1947
Paul B. Wake	Term expires March, 1947
A. L. Jones	Term expires March, 1948
William H. Sanborn	Term expires March, 1948

Cemetery Commissioners

Roger B. Lovelace	Term expires March, 1946
Clarence Richardson	Term expires March, 1947
H. Oscar Swain	Term expires March, 1948

Finance Committee

W. W. Richardson, Chairman	Term expires March, 1945
Walter L. Paine	Term expires March, 1945
Hazen M. Richardson	Term expires March, 1946
Harold Y. Smith	Term expires March, 1946
Wm. T. Martin	Term expires March, 1947

Registrars of Voters

John E. Meagher	Term expires March, 1946
Ernest P. Goodale	Term expires March, 1947
Lloyd H. Getchell	Term expires March, 1948

Town Counsel

John R. Braley	Term expires April, 1946

TRUSTEES

B. F. Emerson Fund

Naumkeag Trust Company, Salem, Massachusetts

Roger F. Clapp — William H. Sanborn

Harley M. Tyler

Mansfield Fund

Old Colony Trust Company, Boston, Mass.

David Cummings Fund

Board of Public Welfare

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

OF THE

Town of Middleton

FOR THE

Year Ending, December 31, 1945

ANALYSIS SHEET

	Balance and Appropriation	Receipts	Transferred To	Total Available	Expended	Transferred From	Balance to Revenue
Town Officers Salaries	$6,390.00			$6,390.00	$6,390.00		
Town Officers Expenses	1,200.00	$ 50.00		1,250.00	1,155.99		$ 94.01
Tax Title Expenses	500.00	216.00		716.00	534.04		181.96
Town Hall	800.00		$ 183.58	983.58	983.58		
Town Hall, Painting	1,263.26			1,263.26	1,233.00		30.26
Town Hall, Repairs	600.00			600.00	40.30		559.70*
Elections and Registrations	125.00			125.00	109.22		15.78
Registrars Listing	140.00			140.00			140.00*
Police	1,650.00			1,650.00	1,647.32		2.68
Fire	2,775.00	5.60	18.74	2,799.34	2,799.34		
Forest Fire Hose	300.00			300.00	241.45		58.55
Forest Fire Patrol	120.00			120.00	114.80		5.20
Cleaning Water Holes	100.00			100.00	100.00		
Civilian Defense	200.00			200.00	188.27		11.73
Ration Board	100.00			100.00	37.00		63.00
Moth	1,000.00			1,000.00	995.83		4.17
Moth, Private Work	300.00			300.00	84.00		216.00
Tree Warden	550.00			550.00	539.82		10.18
Health	1,500.00		455.90	1,955.90	1,955.90		
Essex Sanatorium	1,676.55			1,676.55	1,676.55		
Dental Clinic	500.00			500.00			500.00
Road Machinery Fund	2,771.56	2,729.00		5,500.56	2,832 58		2,667.98*
Highway	1,900.00	599.65		2,499.65	2,497.69		1.96
Highway, Chapter 81	4,700.00	2,415.61		8,575.00	8,574.92		.08
High'y, Chap. 90, Maint.	1,100.00			1,600.00	1,600.00		
Snow	9,000.00	7.20	3,500.00	12,507.20	12,496 58		10.62

ANALYSIS SHEET (CONTINUED)

	Balance and Appropriation	Receipts	Transferred To	Total Available	Expended	Transferred From	Balance to Revenue
East St. Bridge	$ 1,700.00		$ 172.12	$ 1,872.12	$1,872.12		
Street Lighting	2,250.00			2,250.00	2,250.00		
Public Welfare	1,650.00		38.85	1,688.85	1,688.85		
Old Age Assistance Aid	16,850.00	$10,992.82		27,842.82	26,721.03		$1,121.79
Old Age Assistance, Adm.	659.31	365.12		1,024.43	565.69	$ 362.68	96.06*
Aid Depend't Children, Aid	1,150.00	509.25	250.00	1,909.52	1,877.74	18.84	12.94*
Aid Depend't " Adm.	50.00			50.00	47.94		2.06
State Aid	150.00			150.00			150.00
Soldiers' Relief	500.00			500.00	131.79		368.21
War Allowances	400.00			400.00	125.00		275.00
School	38,131.00			38,131.00	37,404.10		726.90
Vocational Education	200.00			200.00	136.00		64.00
Library	1,000.00	439.06		1,439.06	1,439.06		
Park	350.00			350.00	346.49		3.51
Insurance	1,100.00	74.03	69.00	1,243.03	1,243.03		
Interest	540.00			540.00	540.00		
Contingent Fund	800.00		43.97	843.97	843.97		
Electric Light Dept.	10,694.19	60,952.15		71,646.34	59,500.20	5,020.00	7,126.14*
Electric Light Depreciа'n	9,082.36	2,104.01					11,186.37*
Elec. Lt. Meter Deposits	2,249.02	355.00	20.00	2,624.00	425.50		2 198.50*
Elec. Lt. Meter Dep. Int.	84.00	39.74		123.86	108.60		15.26*
Cemetery	1,450.00	441.55		1,891.55	1,888.81		2.74
Opening Graves	350.00			350.00	280.94		69.06
Endowment of Lots		780.00		780.00	780.00		
Lots and Graves Fund	1,085.00	60.00					1,145.00*
Funded Debt	3,000.00			3,000.00	3,000.00		

ANALYSIS SHEET (CONTINUED)

	Balance and Appropriation	Receipts	Transferred To	Total Available	Expended	Transferred From	Balance to Revenue
War Bonds	$2,000.00			$2,000.00	$1,998.00		$ 2.00*
Post War Projects Com'tee	200.00						200.00
Reserve Fund	1,500.00					1,240.57	259.43*
Repairs, Old School	300.00			300.00	171.46		128.54
Memorial Day	275.00		$8.41	283.41	283.41		
Mansfield Fund	139.64	$ 907.00		1,046.64	885.80		160.84*
Tax Abatements, Refunds					132.15		
Dog Tax		567.00		567.00	567.00		
State Tax					2,448.35		
County Tax					3,880.11		
Withholding Tax		4,584.60			4,584.60		
Estimated Receipts		52,132.67			19.50		
Tax Titles		1,307.86					
Tax Title Possessions		266.79					
1944 Real Estate Tax		7,356.27					
1945 Excise Tax		1,896.60					
1945 Poll Tax		952.00					
1945 Real Estate Tax		50,904.42					
1945 Personal Property Tax		3,979.38					
		$207,990.75			$207,015.42		

* Balance carried forward.

ANNUAL REPORT
RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES
Year Ending Dec. 31, 1945

RECEIPTS
GENERAL REVENUE

TAXES:		
CURRENT YEAR:		
Property	$ 56,193 50	
Poll	952 00	
PREVIOUS YEARS:		
Property	7,356 27	
Tax title redemptions	1,307 86	
FROM THE STATE:		
Corporation	7,931 70	
Income	8,155 00	
		$81,896 33
LICENSES AND PERMITS:		
Liquor	1,775 00	
All others	92 50	
		1,867 50
FINES:		
District Court	225 00	
		225 00
GRANTS AND GIFTS:		
FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT:		
Old age assistance	11,321 14	
Aid to dependent children	509 52	
		$11,830 66

FROM STATE FOR EDUCATION:		
Support of Public Schools	$ 1,128 13	
Vocational Education	104 80	
High School Tuition	4,498 11	
Union Superintendency	236 44	
		$5,967 48
FROM STATE FOR OTHER PURPOSES:		
Highway	8,875 96	
Inspector of Animals	87 50	
Meal Tax	898 74	
		9,862 20
FROM COUNTY:		
Dog licenses	439 06	
		439 06
PRIVILEGES:		
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	1,896 60	
		1,896 50

DEPARTMENTAL
GENERAL GOVERNMENT

EXECUTIVE:		
Selectmen	$ 9 25	
FINANCIAL:		
Treasurer	250 00	
Collector	86 40	
MUNICIPAL BUILDING:		
Town Hall	441 80	
		$787 45

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY:		
Sealing of weights and measures	$29 95	
Moth, private work	8 00	
Services, dog officer	72 00	
		$109 95
HEALTH AND SANITATION:		
Tuberculosis	488 71	
		488 71
HIGHWAYS:		
General	3,328 65	
		3,328 65
CHARITIES:		
Reimbursements for Relief:		
From State	32 00	
Reimbursements for Aid Dependent Children:		
From State	480 10	
Reimbursements for Old Age Assistance:		
From individuals	128 80	
From Cities and Towns	576 41	
From State	15,924 44	
		17,141 75
SCHOOLS:		
Tuition, State wards	134 45	
		134 45
UNCLASSIFIED:		
Sale of real estate	266 79	
Rent of old school	84 00	
		$350 79

PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES:		
ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT:		
Sale of light and power	$59,892 10	
Miscellaneous	1,060 05	
Depreciation fund	2,104 01	
		$63,056 16
PUBLIC SCALES	57 25	
		57 25
		63,123 41
CEMETERIES:		
Sale of lots and graves	60 00	
Care " " " "	351 00	
Care of endowed lots	441 55	
		852 55
INTEREST:		
On deposits	39 84	
On deferred taxes	320 95	
On excise taxes	1 69	
		362 48
ON PUBLIC TRUST FUNDS:		
Mansfield Fund	895 00	
Cummings "	346 21	
		1,241 21
AGENCY:		
Licenses	18 50	
Perpetual care funds	780 00	
Meter deposits	355 00	
Withholding taxes	4,584 60	
Dog taxes	567 00	
		6,305 10
REFUNDS:		
General departments	135 63	135 63
Total receipts		$208,336 96

EXPENDITURES

DEPARTMENTAL
GENERAL GOVERNMENT

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES:

Appropriation		$4,575 00
EXPENDITURES		
SELECTMEN:		
Harold M. Bishop	241 65	
George B. Ogden	241 70	
Clarence Osgood, Jr.	241 65	
		$725 00
ASSESSORS:		
Archibald L. Jones	475 00	
Paul B. Wake	475 00	
Harold M. Bishop	250 00	
		1,200 00
TOWN CLERK:		
Elmer P. Merrill		400 00
MODERATOR:		
Ellsworth Knowlton		50 00
TOWN TREASURER:		
Marion E. Mitchell		700 00
TOWN ACCOUNTANT:		
Elmer O. Campbell		700 00
TAX COLLECTOR:		
Harold E. Tyler		700 00
TOWN COUNSEL:		
John R. Braley		300 00
Total expenditures		$4,575 00

TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES:

Appropriation	$1,200 00	
Refund	50 00	
		$1,250 00

EXPENDITURES

SELECTMEN:		
Supplies and printing	150 14	
Postage	21 00	
Mileage and expenses	67 75	
Selectmens' Association, dues	9 00	
		247 89
TOWN TREASURER:		
Supplies	67 74	
Postage	97 05	
Tax title deeds	26 00	
Mileage and expenses	54 32	
Safe deposit box	15 00	
		260 11
ASSESSORS:		
Supplies and printing	35 01	
Abstracts	21 66	
Mileage and expenses	15 42	
Clerical services	25 00	
Office equipment	118 00	
		215 09
TAX COLLECTOR:		
Supplies and printing	140 27	
Postage	86 24	
Mileage and expenses	28 92	
Petty cash	50 00	
Tax sale	16 50	
		322 03
TOWN ACCOUNTANT:		
Supplies and printing	20 40	
		$ 20 40

TOWN CLERK:		
Supplies and printing	$37 28	
Postage	30 75	
		$ 68 03
TOWN COUNSEL:		
Supplies and printing	16 50	
Expenses	5 94	
		22 44
Total expenditures		1,155 99
Transferred to revenue		94 01
		1,250 00

TAX TITLE EXPENSES:

Appropriation	500 00	
Refund, Land Court	216 60	
		716 00
EXPENDITURES		
Land Court	280 00	
Registry of Deeds	9 00	
Counsel fees	217 85	
Insurance	27 19	
Total expenditures		534 04
Transferred to revenue		181 96
		716 00

ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATIONS:

Appropriation		
Registrars' salaries	100 00	
Election expenses	125 00	
		225 00
EXPENDITURES		
E. P. Morrill	25 00	
E. C. Goodale	25 00	
Lloyd Getchell	25 00	
John Meagher	25 00	
		$ 100 00

Election officers	$ 64 00	
Lunches	15 22	
Printing ballots and voting lists	30 00	
Total expenditures		109 22
Transferred to revenue		15 78
		$ 225 00

TOWN HALL:

Appropriation, maintenance	800 00	
Appropriation, salary	730 00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	183 58	
		1,713 58

EXPENDITURES

Albert A. Sheldon, janitor	157 66	
Paul H. Young, "	572 34	
Fuel and light	482 15	
Water and telephone	128 29	
Repairs	165 92	
Supplies	128 00	
Furniture	79 22	
Total expenditures		1,713 58

TOWN HALL HEATING:

Balance January 1, 1945		1,263 26

EXPENDITURES

Heater installation	895 00	
Oil burner installation	338 00	
Total expenditures		1,233 00
Transferred to revenue		30 26
		1,263 26

TOWN HALL REPAIRS:

Appropriation		600 00

EXPENDITURES

Emergency lights	40 30	
Total expenditures		40 30
Balance carried forward		559 70
		$ 600 00

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Appropriation		$1,650 00
EXPENDITURES		
Labor	$1,319 20	
Automobile repairs, gas and oil	252 03	
Supplies	76 09	
Total expenditures		1,647 32
Transferred to revenue		2 68
		1,650 00

CONSTABLE'S SALARY:

Appropriation		35 00
EXPENDITURES		
W. H. Milbery, salary		35 00

CIVILIAN DEFENSE:

Appropriation		200 00
EXPENDITURES		
United States Treasurer	167 40	
State Treasurer	15 87	
Property Officer, bond	5 00	
Total expenditures		188 27
Transferred to revenue		11 73
		200 00

RATION BOARD:

Appropriation		100 00
EXPENDITURES		
Typewriter repairs	12 00	
Mileage	25 00	
Total expenditures		37 00
Transferred to revenue		63 00
		100 00

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Appropriation	$2,775 00	
Transferred from Reserve fund	18 74	
Refund	5 60	
		$2,799 34

EXPENDITURES

Salary, Benj. F. Ogden, chief and forest warden	200 00	
" E. P. Morrill, deputy chief	50 00	
Salaries, firemen	174 00	
Labor	889 10	
Equipment and repairs	532 70	
" forest fires	34 37	
Gasoline and oil	95 80	
Building maintenance	133 31	
Fuel and light	304 25	
Office expense, telephone	185 70	
Fire alarm	87 00	
Lunches	13 11	
Total expenditures		2,799 34

FOREST FIRE HOSE:

Appropriation		300 00

EXPENDITURES

Hose	241 45	
Total expenditures		241 45
Transferred to revenue		58 55
		300 00

FOREST FIRE PATROL:

Appropriation		120 00

EXPENDITURES

Labor	114 80	
Total expenditures		114 80
Transferred to revenue		5 20
		$120 00

CLEANING WATER HOLES:

Appropriation		$100 00
EXPENDITURES		
Labor	$100 00	
Total expenditures		100 00

TREE WARDEN:

Appropriation		550 00
EXPENDITURES		
Labor	484 32	
Truck	29 60	
Supplies	25 90	
Total expenditures		539 82
Transferred to revenue		10 18
		550 00

MOTH DEPARTMENT:

Appropriation		1,000 00
EXPENDITURES		
Labor	839 23	
Truck	66 50	
Supplies	90 10	
Total expenditures		995 83
Transferred to revenue		4 17
		1,000 00

MOTH, PRIVATE WORK:

Appropriation		300 00
EXPENDITURES		
Labor	84 00	
Total expenditures		84 00
Transferred to revenue		216 00
		300 00

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES:

Appropriation	125 00	
EXPENDITURES		
Louis V. Moreau, salary		$125 00

HEALTH AND SANITATION

HEALTH DEPARTMENT:

Appropriation	$1,500 00	
Transferred from Reserve	455 90	
		$1,955 90

EXPENDITURES

Essex Sanatorium, care of patients	1,336 00	
Dumps, labor and truck	293 70	
Dog cases—officer and expenses	107 20	
Charles Pasquale, agent	40 00	
Mary Wilson, ass't agent	20 00	
Recording vital statistics	139 00	
Transportation	20 00	
Total expenditures		1,955 90

ESSEX SANATORIUM ASSESSMENT:

Appropriation	1,676 55

EXPENDITURES

County treasurer	1,676 55

DENTAL CLINIC:

Appropriation	500 00

EXPENDITURES

Transferred to Revenue	500 00

INSPECTOR OF CATTLE AND SLAUGHTERING, SALARY:

Appropriation	225 00

EXPENDITURES

H. Bray Wilkins	168 75	
Leonard Smith	56 25	
Total expenditures		$225 00

HIGHWAYS

HIGHWAY:

Appropriation	$1,900 00	
Refunds	599 65	
		$2,499 65

EXPENDITURES

Labor	1,854 15	
Truck hire	164 70	
Gravel	67 94	
Asphalt	58 80	
Supplies	247 26	
Office expenses—telephone	104 84	
Total expenditures		2,497 69
Transferred to revenue		1 96
		2,499 65

HIGHWAYS—CHAPTER 81—MAINTENANCE:

Appropriation	4,700 00	
State allotment	3,875 00	
		8,575 00

EXPENDITURES

Labor	3,919 60	
Truck hire	1,882 65	
Sand and gravel	542 60	
Asphalt	2,003 92	
Supplies	68 15	
Signs	158 00	
Total expenditures		8,574 92
Transferred to revenue		08
		8,575 00

HIGHWAYS, CHAPTER 90—MAINTENANCE:

Appropriation	1,100 00	
State allotment	500 00	
		$1,600 00
EXPENDITURES		
Labor	389 90	
Truck hire	282 45	
Roller hire	74 00	
Stone	173 11	
Asphalt	680 54	
Total expenditures		1,600 00

SNOW REMOVAL:

Appropriation	$9,000 00	
Transferred from overlay reserve	3,500 00	
Refund	7 20	
		$12,507 20
EXPENDITURES		
Labor	6,143 38	
Truck hire	4,988 95	
Sand and salt	734 36	
Supplies and repairs	335 37	
Equipment	270 00	
State road	24 52	
Total expenditures		12,496 58
Transferred to revenue		10 62
		12,507 20

ROAD MACHINERY FUND:

Balance January 1, 1945	2,771 56	
Receipts	2,729 00	
		5,500 56
EXPENDITURES		
Gasoline and oil	1,121 58	
Repairs and parts	876 78	
Supplies	64 88	
Storage	495 00	
Equipment	170 00	
Insurance	96 34	
Registration	8 00	
Total expenditures		2,832 58
Balance carried forward		2,667 98
		5,500 56

EAST STREET BRIDGE:

Appropriation		$1,700 00
Transferred from reserve fund		172 12
		1,872 12

EXPENDITURES

Grating and beams	$1,310 04	
Labor	153 20	
Welding	397 78	
Advertisements	11 00	
Total expenditures		1,872 12

STREET LIGHTING:

Appropriation	2,250 00

EXPENDITURES

Middleton Electric Light Dept.	$2,250 00

CHARITIES

PUBLIC WELFARE SALARIES:		
Appropriation		$325 00
EXPENDITURES		
Leslie Merrifield	$112 50	
Charles Pasquale	112 50	
Wilbur Rundlett, Jr.	75 00	
Robert Poole	25 00	
Total expenditures		325 00
PUBLIC WELFARE MAINTENANCE:		
Appropriation	1,650 00	
Transferred from reserve fund	38 85	
		1,688 85
EXPENDITURES		
General Expenses:		
Transportation—investigation	37 02	
Supplies, postage, telephone	17 48	
		54 50
Cash payments	470 50	
Groceries, fuel, clothing, etc.	196 56	
Medical aid	106 70	
Other towns	853 59	
Ambulance	7 00	
		1,634 35
Total expenditures		1,688 85
OLD AGE ASSISTANCE—AID:		
Appropriation	16,850 00	
Federal grants	10,956 02	
Refunds	36 80	
		$27,842 82
EXPENDITURES		
Cash payments	26,214 40	
Other towns	506 63	
Total expenditures		26,721 03
Transferred to revenue		1,121 79
		$27,842 82

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE—ADMINISTRATION:

Appropriation	$500 00	
Federal grants	365 12	
Balance January 1, 1945	159 31	
		$1,024 43
EXPENDITURES		
A. C. Peabody, agent	480 25	
Transportation	33 72	
Office supplies, postage	51 72	
Total expenditures		565 69
Transferred to revenue		362 68
Balance carried forward		96 06
		1,024 43

AID DEPENDENT CHILDREN—AID:

Appropriation	1,150 00	
Federal grants	509 52	
Transferred from reserve fund	250 00	
		1,909 52
EXPENDITURES		
Cash payments	1,877 74	
Total expenditures		1,877 74
Transferred to revenue		18 84
Balance carried forward		12 94
		1,909 52

AID DEPENDENT CHILDREN—ADMINISTRATION:

Appropriation		50 00
EXPENDITURES		
A. C. Peabody, agent	43 35	
Transportation	4 59	
Total expenditures		47 94
Transferred to revenue		2 06
		$50 00

SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

STATE AID:

Appropriation		$150 00
EXPENDITURES		
Transferred to revenue		150 00

SOLDIERS' RELIEF:

Appropriation		500 00
EXPENDITURES		
On order	131 79	
Total expenditures		131 79
Transferred to revenue		368 21
		500 00

WAR ALLOWANCES:

Appropriation		400 00
EXPENDITURES		
On order	125 00	
Total expenditures		125 00
Transferred to revenue		275 00
		400 00

MEMORIAL DAY:

Appropriation	275 00	
Transferred from reserve funds	8 41	
		283 41
EXPENDITURES		
Band	120 00	
Flowers, wreaths, flags	74 25	
Speaker and music	44 00	
Refreshments, school children	38 16	
Printing	7 00	
Total expenditures		$283 41

SCHOOLS

Appropriation		$38,131 00
EXPENDITURES		
SALARIES:		
Teachers and supervisors	$15,884 70	
Nurse and Doctor	509 48	
Attendance officer	60 80	
		16,454 98
GENERAL EXPENSES:		
Salary—superintendent	415 04	
Salary—clerk	100 00	
Expenses—superintendent	122 80	
Expenses—office	77 31	
		715 15
Books and supplies	1,452 02	
Tuition	9,831 40	
Transportation	4,620 00	
Janitor service	1,692 50	
Building and grounds maintenance	715 84	
Fuel and light	1,018 46	
Lunchroom equipment	893 75	
Graduation exercises	10 00	
		20,233 97
Total expenditures		37,404 10
Transferred to revenue		726 90
		38,131 00

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION:

Appropriation		200 00
EXPENDITURES		
Transportation	100 00	
Tuition	36 00	
Total expenditures		136 00
Transferred to revenue		64 00
		200 00

LIBRARY:

Appropriation	$1,000 00	
Dog tax refund	439 06	
		$1,439 06

EXPENDITURES

On order		1,439 06

(For detailed report see Trustees' report)

PARK:

Appropriation		350 00

EXPENDITURES

Labor	303 10	
Supplies	37 00	
Water	6 39	
Total expenditures		346 49
Transferred to revenue		3 51
		350 00

CEMETERY

CEMETERY SALARIES:

Appropriation		$75 00
EXPENDITURES		
R. N. Maxwell, superintendent of burials	$15 00	
Clarence Richardson, Commissioner	20 00	
Roger Lovelace "	20 00	
H. Oscar Swain "	20 00	
Total expenditures		75 00

CEMETERY MAINTENANCE:

Appropriation	1,450 00	
Endowment funds	441 55	
		1,891 55
EXPENDITURES		
Labor	1,690 11	
Truck hire	49 50	
Supplies	137 58	
Water	11 62	
Total expenditures		1,888 81
Transferred to revenue		2 74
		1,891 55

CEMETERY GRAVES:

Appropriation		350 00
EXPENDITURES		
Labor	251 94	
Truck hire	29 00	
Total expenditures		280 94
Transferred to revenue		69 06
		350 00

CEMETERY ENDOWMENT:

Received	780 00
EXPENDITURES	
Deposited in Savings Banks	$780 00

UNCLASSIFIED

CONTINGENT FUND:

Appropriation	$800 00	
Transferred from reserve fund	43 97	
		$843 97

EXPENDITURES

Printing and delivering town reports	302 80	
Maintenance old school	14 80	
Scales, weighing fees	28 62	
Flag pole maintenance	49 72	
Essex Street water	3 73	
Funeral pieces	18 00	
Honor roll	185 00	
State census	115 00	
Perambulating town bounds	116 50	
Building inspector, expenses	9 80	
Total expenditures		843 97

INSURANCE:

Appropriation	1,100 00	
Transferred from reserve fund	30 00	
Refund	74 03	
		1,243 03

EXPENDITURES

Workmen's liability	640 68	
Building liability	60 00	
New school	172 50	
Sealer's equipment	23 80	
Fire department	38 50	
Town Hall	97 00	
Clerk's bond	5 00	
Collector's bond and burglary insurance	116 41	
Treasurer's " " " "	89 14	
Total expenditures		$1,243 03

INTEREST:

Appropriation		$540 00
EXPENDITURES		
School construction notes		540 00

RESERVE FUND:

Appropriation		1,500 00
Transferred to:		
Health department	455 90	
Aid dependent children	250 00	
East St., bridge	172 12	
Town Hall	183 58	
Insurance	69 00	
Contingent	43 97	
Public Welfare	38 85	
Fire Department	18 74	
Memorial Day	8 41	
Revenue	259 43	
		1,500 00

MANSFIELD FUND:

Balance January 1, 1945	139 64	
Received from Old Colony Trust Co.	895 00	
Refund	12 00	
		1,046 64
EXPENDITURES		
Band concerts	275 80	
Picnic	345 00	
Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets	265 00	
Total expenditures		885 80
Balance carried forward		160 84
		1,046 64

POST-WAR REHABILITATION FUND:

Appropriation		$2,000 00
EXPENDITURES		
War Bonds purchased	$1,998 00	
Total expenditures		1,998 00
Transferred to revenue		2 00
		2,000 00

REPAIRS TO OLD SCHOOL:

Appropriation		300 00
EXPENDITURES		
Repairs	31 46	
Painting	140 00	
Total expenditures		171 46
Balance carried forward		128 54
		$300 00

ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT

RECEIPTS

Energy	$57,642 10	
Supplies	730 26	
Labor	155 00	
Insurance	174 79	
Street lighting appropriation	2,250 00	
Balance January 1, 1945	10,694 19	
		$71,646 34

EXPENDITURES

ENERGY PURCHASED:		
Eastern Mass. Elec. Co.	35,318 58	
Danvers Electric Light Dept.	29 77	
Reading Electric Light Dept.	5 25	
		35,353 60
MAINTENANCE:		
Labor	7,725 60	
Sub-station—equipment and maintenance	4,645 29	
Poles, wire, etc.	1,230 22	
Meters and Transformers	1,577 77	
Street light maintenance	252 81	
Maintenance and supplies	2,403 88	
Insurance	335 80	
Truck maintenance	653 75	
		19,721 12
ADMINISTRATION:		
Office supplies and expenses	671 47	
A. B. Harrington, manager	1,500 00	
Charles Bates, Commissioner	50 00	
A. L. Jones, "	50 00	
Richard B. Floyd, "	50 00	
		2,321 47
Depreciation fund		2,104 01
Meter deposit fund		20 00
Total expenditures		59,520 20
Transferred to Town		5,000 00
Balance carried forward		7,126 14
		$71,646 34

DEPRECIATION FUND:		
Balance January 1, 1945	$9,082 36	
Transferred to fund	2,104 01	
Balance carried forward		$11,186 37

METER DEPOSIT FUND:		
Balance January 1, 1945	2,249 00	
Receipts	375 00	
		2,624 00
EXPENDITURES		
Refunds	425 50	425 50
Balance carried forward		2,198 50
		2,624 00

METER DEPOSIT INTEREST:		
Balance January 1, 1945	84 02	
Interest on deposit	39 84	
		123 86
EXPENDITURES		
Payments		108 60
Balance carried forward		$15 26

MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

MATURING DEBT:

Appropriation		$3,000 00
EXPENDITURES		
School construction notes		3,000 00

COUNTY CHARGES:

County tax	$3,880 11	
Dog tax	567 00	
		4,447 11
EXPENDITURES		
County treasurer		4,447 11

STATE CHARGES:

State tax	2,380 00	
State parks	68 35	
Beverage license	10 00	
Hunting and fishing licenses	8 50	
		2,466 85
EXPENDITURES		
State treasurer		2,466 85

FEDERAL CHARGES:

Withholding Tax	4,584 60
EXPENDITURES	
Collector of Internal Revenue	4,584 60

TAX ABATEMENTS—REFUNDS:

1945 motor vehicle excise tax	2 40	
1945 tax levy	129 75	
		$132 15

BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 1945—GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS

Cash on hand		$88,938 27
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE:		
TAXES—Levy of 1945		
Real Estate	$ 7,172 11	
Personal property	132 30	
Motor Vehicle Excise	46 85	
		7,351 26
TAX TITLES AND POSSESSIONS:		
Tax titles	3,166 68	
Tax title possessions	3,155 49	
		$ 6,322 17
DEPARTMENTAL:		
Public Welfare	38 60	
Aid Dependent Children	246 30	
Old Age Assistance	569 82	
Public Health	487 14	
		$ 1,341 86
Municipal Light		6,148 28
State Aid to Highway		2,686 27
County Tax—Deficit		44 05
		$112,832 16

LIABILITIES

Mansfield Fund Income			$ 160 84
Cemetery Lots Fund			1,145 00
Road Machinery Fund			2,667 98
Electric Light, meter deposits	2,198 50		
" " " " int.	15 26		
" " depreciation	11,186 37		
" " cash	7,126 14		20,526 27
Appropriation Balances			1,137 24
Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus			877 09
OVERLAY RESERVED FOR ABATEMENTS:			
Levy of 1945			509 15
REVENUE RESERVED UNTIL COLLECTED:			
Departmental	1,341 86		
Tax Titles	6,322 17		
Motor Vehicle Excise	46 85		
Municipal Light	6,148 28		13,859 16
State Tax-Overestimate			22 64
Surplus revenue			71,926 79
			$112,832 16

DEBT ACCOUNTS

ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Net Funded or Fixed Debt - - -	$24,000 00	School Construction Notes - - -	$24,000 00

TRUST FUNDS ACCOUNTS

ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Trust Funds Cash and Securities:		David Cummings Fund	$10,665 14
In Custody of Town Treasurer	$37,642 37	Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund	19,503 23
In Custody of Library Trustees	8,791 30	Post War Rehabiliation Fund	7,474 00
In Custody of Naumkeag Trust Co.	10,215 97	Charles L. Flint Library Fund	5,681 87
		Mary E. Emerson Book Fund	3,109 43
		B. F. Emerson Library Fund	10,215 79
	$56,649 45		$56,649 46

TREASURER'S REPORT
December 31, 1945

Balance January 1, 1945		**$87,962 94**
RECEIVED FROM TAX COLLECTOR:		
1944 Tax	$7,356 27	
Interest	175 23	
1945 Tax	50,904 42	
Interest	10 26	
Excise tax	1,896 60	
Interest	1 69	
Poll tax	950 00	
Demand	38 40	
Personal property	3,979 38	
Interest	14 65	
RECEIVED FROM ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT:		
A. B. HARRINGTON, MGR.		
Collections	57,642 10	
Meter deposits	355 00	
Private work	155 00	
Supplies sold	578 13	
Pole damage	174 79	
Refunds	152 13	
Street lights	2,250 00	
Depreciation	2,104 01	
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT:		
Salary transfer	575 85	
ROAD MACHINERY FUND:		
Machinery rentals	2,729 00	
CEMETERY:		
Endowed lots	780 00	
Graves, opening	351 00	
Graves and lots sold	60 00	

COUNTY OF ESSEX:	
Dog officer	$ 72 00
Dog tax refund	439 06
LICENSES:	
Auctioneer	4 00
Innholders	15 00
Junk	10 00
Liquor and advertising	1,783 00
Mfg. soda beverages	20 00
Motor vehicles, gas and alcohol	18 25
Oleo	2 50
Pasteurization	10 00
Sale of popcorn	1 00
Slaughtering	1 00
Sunday	10 00
Undertaker's	2 00
Victualler's	4 00
OLD AGE ASSISTANCE:	
Cambridge	36 00
Danvers	439 62
Essex	98 57
Ipswich	50 19
Lynn	80 67
Melrose	13 40
Peabody	194 58
Somerville	99 60
Swampscott	71 28
Topsfield	80 00
Winthrop	146 30
TAX TITLES:	
Redemptions	1,428 72
20% WITHHOLDING TAX	
Collector of Internal Revenue	4,584 60
MISCELLANEOUS:	
Cancelled checks	265 60
Dog tax	567 00
Fees	87 20

Fines		$ 25 00
Health		33 00
Hunting and fishing license		8 50
Interest		481 39
Land sales		300 74
Mansfield Fund		895 00
Private moth		8 00
Refunds:		74 03
Reimbursement		1,342 03
Rent of Town Hall		441 80
Rent—Middleton Electric Light Dept.		84 00
Revolver permits		6 00
STATE TREASURER:		
Aid dependent children:		
State aid	489 78	
U. S. Grant	499 84	
Child guardianship:		
Tuition	98 25	
Transportation	36 20	
Corporation tax		7,931 70
Department of Public Health		455 71
Department of Agriculture		87 50
Dept. of Public Works:		
Division of Highways, Chapter 81-1944	726 88	
" " " Chapter 81-1945	1,688 73	
Highways, gasoline tax	3,493 20	
Snow removal " "	2,967 15	
Income tax		8,155 00
Mass. School Fund		1,128 13
OLD AGE ASSISTANCE:		
Administration	365 12	
Meal tax	898 74	
State aid	14,933 03	
U. S. grant	10,842 43	
Reimbursement—loss of taxes		753 47
School superintendents		236 44
Temporary aid and transportation		32 00
Tuition, High School		4,498 11
Vocational education		104 80
Total receipts		$207,990 75
		$295,953 69

EXPENDITURES

Selectmens' orders	$207,015 42
Balance December 31, 1945	88,938 27
	$295,953 69

INVESTMENTS

Twenty United States War Bonds (Town of Middleton)	$7,474 00	
Two United States War Bonds (Middleton Electric Light Dept.)	1,480 00	
Transferred from Meter Deposit Fund to Danvers Sav. Bank		1,500 00
Interest to October 1, 1945		123 86

Respectfully submitted,

MARION E. MITCHELL,

Treasurer.

LAND OWNED BY TOWN

December 31, 1945

The Town owns the following parcels of land. These parcels have been deeded to the Town by the Treasurer:

SUMMIT VIEW PARK:

Lots Numbers 9, 30/34 inclusive; 51, 57, 94, 136/148 inclusive; 164/177 inclusive; 212, 213, 215/218 inclusive, 242/251 inclusive; 257/270 inclusive; 288/301inclusive; 315/318 inclusive; 321, 329, 330, 333/337 inclusive; 344/371 inclusive; 376, 378, 387/398 inclusive.

MIDDLETON PINES:

Lots Numbers 308, 309, 767/769, inclusive; 1007/1010 inclusive.

RIVER VIEW PARK SECTION 1:

Lots Numbers 52/55 inclusive; 258/261 inclusive.

WOODLAND PARK :

Lots Number 83-91 inclusive; 125; 135-138 inclusive; 575, 576.

RECREATION PARK—North Main Street:

Lots Number 54, 55, 56, A-B-C-D; 61-64 inclusive; 65-68 inclusive; Lot H; 71-77 inclusive; 78-82 inclusive; 103-123 inclusive; 128-130 inclusive; 231, 232; 243-246 inclusive; Elliott Lot; 2nd Pasture Woodland and Meadow; Parker Lot; Island Pasture; 1st lot of 9th Parcel; Gray Lot; Smith Lot; Sutton Lot.

FORECLOSED BY LAND COURT DECREES:

16 Acres and buildings on North side of School Street.

20 Acres and buildings on East side of Liberty Street.

Land and buildings in Middleton Pines, being Lots 351-355 inclusive.

Land and buildings on southerly side of Spring Road, Lots 234-236 inclusive.

Land and buildings in Woodland Park, being Lots 113-117 inclusive.

MARION E. MITCHELL, Treasurer.

Cemetery Endowment Account—1945

NAME	No. of Lot	Fund	Balance 1944	Interest Received	Amount Paid Out	Balance 1945
Atwood, L. Frank	360	$100 00	$121 65	$3 05	$3 25	$121 45
Atwood, Morrison	128	150 00	161 22	3 64	3 25	161 61
Averill, Edward P.	52	100 00	106 34	2 40	3 00	105 74
Averill, Joseph	346	100 00	104 54	2 61	2 50	104 65
Barnaby, Caroline V.	646	100 00	114 69	2 59	3 00	114 28
Bastable, Arthur	10 S. B	150 00	152 42	3 83	3 00	153 25
Batchelder, Harold T.	528	75 00	79 83	1 79	1 50	80 12
Berry, Allen & Catherine	112	125 00	138 87	3 48	3 25	139 10
Berry, William	178	100 00	106 18	2 67	3 00	105 85
Bouchard, Louis	706	100 00	106 36	2 67	3 00	106 03
Bradstreet, H. H.	1 S. B.	150 00	152 07	3 81	3 00	152 88
Brown, Sarah F.	½ of 434	50 00	53 37	1 34	1 25	53 46
Bryer, Allen D.	526	100 00	105 82	2 65	3 00	105 47
Bryer, Lillian L.	606	150 00	150 92	3 78	3 50	151 20
Carleton, Loring	34	200 00	201 11	5 05	4 00	202 16
Carter, Mary O.	137	150 00	153 81	3 85	3 00	154 66
Conlon, Mary A.		100 00	106 65	2 40	3 00	106 05
Curry, Mary A.	342	100 00	108 27	2 44	3 00	107 71
Curtis, Phoebe		50 00	53 64	1 34	1 25	53 73
Dame, John	284	150 00	162 32	4 08	4 00	162 40
Day, Mrs. Geo. E.	588	50 00	53 28	1 19	1 25	53 22
Day, Weaver	248	150 00	155 79	3 51	3 50	155 80
Demsey, J. W.	156	100 00	105 76	2 65	3 00	105 41
Dennett, Ruth H.	24	75 00	78 61	1 97	1 75	78 83
Densmore, Stanley	B3	150 00	150 94	3 78	3 00	151 72
Downing, William H.	626	100 00	113 57	2 84	1 25	115 16
Duncan, Reuben	489	150 00	150 00	3 45	2 50	150 95
Eaton, Irvin L.	168	75 00	77 03	1 92	1 75	77 20
Emerson, Benjamin F.	214	150 00	164 98	4 14	3 50	165 62
Emerson, Ellen M.	138	100 00	104 11	2 61	3 00	103 72
Emerson, Eunice W.	166	100 00	107 80	2 70	3 00	107 50
Emerson, Henry P.	496	500 00	524 78	13 19	12 00	525 97
Estey and Hutchinson	48	100 00	106 36	2 67	3 00	106 03
Esty, Allena A.	258	200 00	232 38	5 84	4 50	233 72
Esty Annie E.	572	100 00	104 59	2 61	2 75	104 45
Esty, Loren G.	538	100 00	124 73	3 13	3 00	124 86
Fletcher, Samuel A.	130	100 00	102 80	2 58	3 00	102 38
Flint, George B.	152	66 30	70 50	1 77	1 50	70 77
Flint, Harley A.	256	100 00	103 01	2 59	3 00	102 60
Fowler, Alonzo	12	250 00	255 53	6 41	4 00	257 94

Cemetery Endowment Account—Continued

NAME	No. of Lot	Fund	Balance 1944	Interest Received	Amount Paid Out	Balance 1945
Frame, L. Maria - - -	516	$125 00	$132 64	$3 33	$3 00	$132 97
Frost, Chas. O. - - -	340	150 00	170 17	4 28	3 00	171 45
Fuller, Abijah - - -	110	150 00	171 67	4 30	3 50	172 47
Fuller, Daniel - - - -	628	100 00	105 67	2 64	3 00	105 31
Fuller, Jeremiah - - -	70	125 00	141 32	3 19	4 00	140 51
Fuller, Lida A. - - -	686	100 00	106 30	2 67	3 00	105 97
Fuller, Luella F. - -	158	150 00	154 35	3 49	3 00	154 84
Fuller, Lydia & Timothy	268	100 00	106 50	2 40	3 00	105 90
Fuller, Sophronia - - -	236	200 00	237 91	5 96	5 00	238 87
Fuller and Taylor - -	644	150 00	154 15	3 49	3 25	154 39
Fuller, William H. - -	336	100 00	105 08	2 64	3 00	104 72
Gifford, William - - -	180	100 00	105 50	2 64	3 00	105 14
Gilbert, James - - -	188	100 00	106 15	2 67	3 00	105 82
Godfrey, William R. -	714	100 00	101 97	2 55	3 00	101 52
Goodwin, Ira E. Heirs of	380	100 00	108 33	2 71	2 00	109 04
Goswiler, Carl B. - - -	716	150 00	175 23	3 96	3 00	176 19
Gould, Andrew - - -	352	50 00	54 29	1 36	1 25	54 40
Gould, Eben - - - -	514	100 00	107 48	2 69	3 00	107 17
Gould, Porter I. - - -	414	100 00	106 16	2 67	3 25	105 58
Graves, D. Augustine -	234	100 00	103 75	2 60	3 25	103 10
Graves, Kendall E. - -	586	100 00	104 25	2 61	3 25	103 61
Gould, Walter - - -	578	150 00	150 00	2 82	2 00	150 82
Hall, E. P. - - - - -	106	100 00	108 20	2 44	3 25	107 39
Ham, Elinor P. - - -	356	125 00	135 41	3 40	3 50	135 31
Harlow, Levi F. - - -	684	100 00	106 23	2 40	2 50	106 13
Haskell, Ella C. - - -	390	200 00	205 34	4 63	4 50	205 47
Higgins, Lewis S. - - -	264	100 00	109 71	2 47	3 50	108 68
Hobbs, Kathryn - ½ of	588	50 00	53 38	1 20	1 25	53 33
Hoelzel, William - -	5-6S. B.	150 00	151 88	3 80	3 00	152 68
Howe, Benjamin - -	160	150 00		31		150 31
Hutchinson and Russell -	518	100 00	102 55	2 31	3 25	101 61
Hutchinson, Caroline A.	253	100 00	104 75	2 63	3 25	104 13
Hutchinson, Elisha P. -	740	100 00	104 49	2 61	3 25	103 85
Johnson, Frank E. - -	804	100 00	112 61	2 83	2 00	113 44
Jones, John E. - - -	372	100 00	104 78	2 36	3 00	104 14
Jones, Samuel - - -	290	100 00	107 02	2 42	3 25	106 19
Leavitt, Jerome - - -	62	150 00	162 55	4 08	6 00	160 63
Martin, William - - -	908	150 00	150 00	3 45	2 50	150 95
McGlauflin, Benjamin T.	76	150 00	152 22	3 83	3 00	153 05
McIntire, Abraham - -	132	75 00	78 65	1 97	2 00	78 62
McIntire, Annie M. - -	338	100 00	110 19	2 77	2 75	110 21

Cemetery Endowment Account—Continued

NAME	No. of Lot	Fund	Balance 1944	Interest Received	Amount Paid Out	Balance 1945
McKenne, Thomas	532	$150 00	$149 32	$3 75	$2 00	$151 07
Nelson, Roy	910	150 00	150 00	3 77	2 50	151 27
Paine, Walter	7	150 00	151 56	3 80	3 00	152 36
Peabody & Hutchinson	182-84	150 00	159 32	4 00	4 00	159 32
Peabody, Andrew	56	100 00	104 05	2 61	3 00	103 66
Peabody, A. W.	90	200 00	245 00	5 54	4 00	246 54
Peabody, Dean	344	100 00	101 10	2 28	2 00	101 38
Peabody, John L.	196	100 00	107 55	2 69	3 00	107 24
Peabody, John W., 2nd	192	150 00	151 79	3 42	3 00	152 21
Peabody, Laura E.	534	100 00	105 48	2 37	3 25	104 60
Peabody, Merrill	754	100 00	106 16	2 67	3 25	105 58
Peabody, Samuel M.	204	100 00	106 12	2 67	3 25	105 54
Peabody, S. Maria	584	100 00	106 06	2 67	3 00	105 73
Peabody, William M.		100 00	105 70	2 65	3 25	105 10
Phelps, Annie H.	146	150 00	170 07	4 28	3 50	170 85
Phelps, William A.	148	100 00	105 37	2 64	3 25	104 76
Pike, Sarah J.	412	125 00	135 27	3 39	3 25	135 41
Putney, Lucretia	104	150 00	151 12	3 42	3 00	151 54
Richardson, Benj. F.	164	100 00	105 71	2 38	3 25	104 84
Richardson, Daniel		100 00	105 81	2 38	3 00	105 19
Richardson, Rev. D. W.	410	100 00	105 27	2 37	3 25	104 39
Richardson, Eli	363	150 00	164 05	4 13	3 50	164 68
Richardson, Lucy G.	80	100 00	105 24	2 64	3 25	104 63
Richardson, William J.	250	150 00	156 44	3 93	4 00	156 37
Russell, George	114	150 00	152 59	3 83	2 00	154 42
Russell, Harriett W.		100 00	105 68	2 64	3 00	105 32
Russell, P. B.	430	200 00	228 09	5 73	4 55	229 27
Russell, Serena	477	150 00	151 25	3 80	3 00	152 05
Sargent, James A.	750	100 00	105 21	2 64	3 00	104 85
Sheldon, Lucy J.	212	150 00	153 10	3 85	3 25	153 70
Skinner & Wilkins	400	100 00	106 18	2 67	3 25	105 60
Smith, E. D. & M. J.	436	100 00	103 86	2 60	3 50	102 96
Smith, George H.	764	100 00	108 39	2 71	3 00	108 10
Smith, Sarah F.	102	150 00	169 10	4 25	4 00	169 35
Soper, Polly A.	298	100 00	104 80	2 63	3 25	104 18
Stiles, David		150 00	170 30	4 28	3 50	171 08
Stiles, Farnham	10	100 00	104 75	2 63	3 25	104 13
Stiles, Hiram A.	30	150 00	163 15	3 69	4 00	162 84
Stiles, Osgood F.	424	150 00	162 26	3 67	3 50	162 43
Stiles, Sumner P.	482	150 00	163 42	3 69	4 25	162 86
Symonds, Charles H.	448	100 00	105 02	2 64	3 25	104 41

Cemetery Endowment Account—Continued

NAME	No. of Lot	Fund	Balance 1944	Interest Received	Amount Paid Out	Balance 1945
Taylor, Benjamin H. -	334	$100 00	$105 30	$2 37	$3 00	$104 67
Tedford, Joseph A. - -	810	150 00	158 06	3 98	3 50	158 54
Thomas, H. Amelia - -	64	75 00	78 64	1 97	2 00	78 61
Thompson, C. E. & Ellen	392	200 00	243 54	6 12	4 50	245 16
Townsend, Edward - -	468	150 00				150 00
Townsend, Ernest - -	454	150 00				150 00
Tufts, Wilbur - - -	486	100 00	104 15	2 61	3 25	103 51
Tyler, Ansel P. - -	540	150 00	177 47	4 45	no chg	181 92
Wellman, John R. - -	40	200 00	221 48	5 56	5 00	222 04
Weston, Samuel W. - -	36	200 00	211 04	5 30	5 00	211 34
White, Henry F. - - -	208	75 00	83 73	1 88	2 00	83 61
Whitman, Carl N. - -	116	100 00	104 45	2 61	3 00	104 06
Wilkins, H. H. & C. B.	440-442	300 00	308 18	6 97	6 00	309 15
Wilkins, Edward W. -	172	150 00	185 65	4 18	4 00	185 83
Wilkins, Henry A. - -	254	100 00	105 42	2 64	3 25	104 81
Wilkins, Luther - - -	176	150 00	174 14	4 38	3 50	175 02
Wilkins, Samuel H. - -	230	100 00	106 34	2 40	3 25	105 49
Wilkins, Susan A. - -	596	100 00	103 64	2 59	3 00	103 23
Wilkins, Timothy - -	50	100 00	108 98	2 73	3 25	108 46
Wilkins and Young -	614	150 00	150 85	3 78	3 25	151 38
Young, John - - - - -	278	100 00	104 47	2 35	3 00	103 82
Leonard & Henderson	143-41	300 00				300 00
Section C ½ Graves -			67 33	1 88		99 21
	Totals		$18,641 70	$453 87	$441 55	$19,404 02

CUMMINGS FUND
December 31, 1945

Balance, January 1, 1945		$9,542 06
United Shoe Machinery Corp., Shares		975 00
RECEIPTS		
United Shoe Machinery, dividends	$121 90	
Salem Savings Bank, interest	116 15	
Salem Five Cents Savings Bank, interest	108 16	
		346 21
Total income		10,863 27
Trustees' orders		197 83
		$10,665 44
Balance, December 31, 1945		
Salem Savings Bank	$4,733 90	
Merchants National Bank	167 36	
Salem Five Cents Savings Bank	4,789 18	
United Shoe Machinery, shares	975 00	
		$10,665 44

Respectfully submitted,

MARION E. MITCHELL,

Treasurer.

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

Various Departments

OF THE

Town of Middleton

FOR THE

Year Ending December 31, 1945

PART II

PAYROLL ANALYSIS

HIGHWAY AND MOTH DEPARTMENT

	Labor	Truck
Roy Andrews	$ 5 60	
Ebbert Baldwin	22 40	
Wm. Birch	16 80	
Robert Bixby	2 80	
Thomas Bott	1,839 60	
Leon Brown	18 00	
Warren Brown	9 60	
Thomas Cass, Jr.	42 00	
Stephen Caverly	253 40	
Chester Clinch	8 40	
Richard Collins	16 40	
James Comstock	16 40	
Glen Currier	67 00	
Raymond Currier, Jr.	38 20	
Phillip Donovan	342 30	$2,146 45
Frank Evans	1,856 40	
David Esty	24 50	
Gus Fanning	92 40	
Leonard Foss	38 00	
Robert Fuller	50 40	
Warren Getchell	9 60	
Davis Gifford	48 00	
Alton Goodale	32 90	
Arthur Gould	1,821 40	
Richard Hains	140 90	
Richard Hood	45 60	
Richard Hurd	22 40	
Eldon Judge	5 60	
Terrance Klosowski		1,210 60
David Lindsey	169 60	
Ernest Lindsey	8 40	
Ellsworth Lord, Jr.	10 80	
Frank Maione		48 90
James Martin	86 80	
Allan Marshall	1,850 80	
Francis Masse	28 80	
Elmer Morrill	31 50	
Bruce Macdonald	14 40	

	Labor	Truck
George Nash	$ 71 30	
Richard Nash	36 80	
Benj. Ogden	2,012 43	
James Ogden	198 80	
Wm. Ogden	4 80	
Clarence Osgood	7 20	
Paul Osgood	171 20	
Marshall Paine	23 10	
Roland Peabody	1,856 40	
Carl Peterson	4 80	
Milton Pollock	50 60	
David Porter	5 60	
Clarence Richardson	592 90	
Edward Richardson	28 00	
Hazen K. Richardson		$267 00
Elliott Rowell, Jr.	121 40	
Wilbur Rundlett, Jr.	160 40	
Albert Sheldon	55 20	
Oscar Sheldon		850 05
Carl Shuman	16 40	
Roy Shuman	8 40	
Lawrence Shute	4 80	
Leonard Smith		23 80
Jeffrie Savoie	19 60	
Dale Stevens	5 60	
James Stuart	14 60	
Richard Stewart	16 80	
Arthur Sweeney	5 60	
Harold Tyler	51 80	
Robert Veint	25 20	
John Walsh	8 40	
Everett Wilkins	27 40	
	$14,693 62	$4,546 80

POLICE DEPARTMENT

	Labor
George Colbert	$ 30 00
Edward Macdonald	257 60
W. H. Milbery	676 00

	Labor
Benj. Ogden	15 20
Joseph Peters	3 50
Wilbur Rundlett, Jr.	213 20
Harold Tyler	46 90
Paul Wake	72 20
	$1,314 60

CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

	Labor	Truck
Thomas Cass, Jr.	$ 23 38	
H. S. Emerson	37 45	
Edward Gage	286 28	
Richard Maxwell	847 14	$68 50
Bruce Macdonald	326 15	
Richard Nash	362 65	
Leslie Patterson	19 60	
Leon Soper	12 50	
	$1,915 15	$68 50

ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT

	Labor
Charles Brackett	$738 00
Raymond Currier	2,681 90
Norman Gage	521 00
Seaver Macdonald	2,662 88
George Nash	2 00
Arthur Nimblett	35 20
Benjamin Nimblett	1,915 90
Charles Pasquale	2 10
	$8,558 90

LIST OF JURORS

July 20, 1945

Mr. Archie N. Frost, Clerk of Courts
Salem, Mass.

The following is a List of the Jurors prepared by the Selectmen of the Town of Middleton in accordance with Chapter 234, Section 4, General Laws:

Name	Street	Occupation
Baker, Charles W.	North Main Street	Ship Caulker
Belle, Oscar H.	Belleview Ave.	Machinist
Ellis, George B.	East Street	Retired
Floyd, Richard G.	Maple Street	Shipper
Germain, Hector A.	South Main Street	Merchant
Gould, Arthur P.	South Main Street	Laborer
Getchell, Lloyd H.	Maple Street	Storekeeper
Jones, Carl C.	Maple Street	Painter
Leary, Edmund V.	South Main Street	Inn Keeper
Lovelace, Roger B.	Central Street	Fireman
Nash, Harold I.	Liberty Street	Electrician
Peabody, Roland H.	Liberty Street	Laborer
Peart, James W.	Forest Street	Blacksmith
Poole, Robert T.	Maple Street	Merchant
Richardson, W. W.	Boston Street	Carpenter

Yours very truly,

GEORGE B. OGDEN,
HAROLD M. BISHOP,
CLARENCE OSGOOD, Jr.,
Selectmen of Middleton.

FLINT PUBLIC LIBRARY—TRUSTEE'S REPORT

TREASURER'S REPORT

INCOME:

Balance January 1, 1945	$ 23 29	
Naumkeag Trust Co.	482 66	
Essex Savings Bank	10 00	
Broadway Savings Bank	28 00	
		$543 95
Town appropriation and dog tax		1,439 06
		$1,983 01

EXPENDITURES:

Librarian's salary	$350 00	
Librarian's assistant	74 55	
Librarian's supplies	5 30	
Janitor's salary	260 00	
New books	426 72	
Magazines	39 30	
Fuel	133 12	
Light	55 04	
Water	5 58	
Insurance	111 53	
Building maintenance	7 63	
Installing water service	113 52	
Naumkeag Trust Co., service charge	2 96	
Mary Esty Emerson Fund	119 32	
Miscellaneous	31 89	
Balance on hand December 31, 1945	246 55	
		$1,983 01

Respectfully submitted,

ARCHIBALD L. JONES, Treasurer.

CHARLES L. FLINT FUND

Archibald L. Jones, in account with Flint Public Library:	
Charles L. Flint fund, principal	$5,000 00
Deposited in banks, December 31, 1945:	
Salem Five Cents Savings Bank	999 02
Danvers Savings Bank	1,229 21
Broadway " "	1,866 96
Essex " "	1,000 00
Salem " "	586 68

MARY ESTY EMERSON FUND

Principal ($2,500.00) invested as follows:	
Cerena Apartment Building Bond (par value)	$ 500 00
42nd Street and Lexington Avenue, office building bond, (par value)	2,000 00
Deposited in Danvers National Bank, (Savings Dept.)	609 43

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT, 1945

Flint Public Library has been open as usual from 7 to 9 P.M. on Tuesday evenings and Saturdays 3 to 5 and 7 to 9 P. M. (Holidays excepted). Both V. E. Day (May 8) and V. J. Day (Aug. 14) came on library nights. The library closed as libraries in other cities and towns were closing as part of the celebration.

Deposits of books were sent to the Howe-Manning School for special reading. The books were chosen from the State Reading List recommended by the Division of Libraries, Department of Education. Certificates were awarded at the end of the School year. Many certificates were awarded at graduation exercises.

Magazines in the reading room were :

American Girl	Good Housekeeping
American Home	Home Craftsman
American Magazine	Jack and Jill
Better Homes and Gardens	Life
Boy's Life	McCall Art Needlework
Child Life	National Geographic
Everybody's Poultry	Nature Magazine
Farm Journal	Popular Mechanics

Readers' Digest

Book Week in November was observed with an exhibit of new books for children and young people. The theme was similar to 1944, and carried the same thought of good-will among nations. Through books the American children will read about the children of other nations, their customs, the way they live and dress and play. There are so many delightful books for boys and girls, which are also educational. Many parents enjoy the books too, as they read to their children.

With the return of war veterans and less work in the Red Cross and other organizations working on the war effort, it is hoped that the circulation will increase in 1946. Many interesting books were purchased during the year.

The librarian wishes to express her appreciation to the trustees for their cooperation during the past year.

ANNUAL STATISTICS

Volumes in the library January 1, 1945	13,196
Volumes added by purchase	240
Volumes added by gift	38
Volumes in the library January 1, 1946	13,474
Total circulation of books, year ending January 1, 1946	8,759
Total circulation of books, non fiction	1,678
Largest monthly circulation, July	797

Respectfully submitted,

SARAH E. CARLETON,
Librarian.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

To the Citizens of Middleton:

The Board of Selectmen submits for your approval a report of its activities for the year ending December 31, 1945.

Meetings have been held each Tuesday evening in the Town Hall. All routine business was taken care of on the first and third Tuesday of each month.

The past year has been one in which many great events have occurred. Especially the termination of war with Germany and Japan and the return to their homes of many of the men and women from the armed forces.

Several post-war projects have been planned: a new Town building, roads, sidewalks and extension of water mains. The committee favors the extension of water mains as the first project, if and when the funds are available.

Preambulation of town boundary posts were completed during the fall months. City officials from one city and Selectmen from six towns inspected all angle and corner markers and same were found in good condition.

There were several worthwhile improvements in the Town Hall. Repairs were made to meet with the requirements of the State Department of Public Safety. The furnace room in the Town Hall was remodelled to meet with the requirements of the State Fire Laws and an oil burner installed in the furnace. The old school house has been painted on the front and two sides. The honor roll has been relettered and redecorated.

Two flags have been purchased and hung in the auditorium of the Town Hall: one the State flag and one the National flag.

Again this year we were able to provide busses for transporting the children to Salem Willows for their annual picnic.

On behalf of the Citizens, the Selectmen wish to extend their appreciation to all who served on the Rationing Board.

To the Town Officers and members of all Departments we wish to express our sincere appreciation for their cooperation during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE B. OGDEN,
HAROLD M. BISHOP,
CLARENCE OSGOOD, Jr.
Selectmen of Middleton.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

MARRIAGE RECORD FOR 1945

Date	*Place of Marriage*	*Name of Bride and Groom*	*Residence*
Jan. 19	Danvers	William A. Pembroke	Middleton
		Sarah E. Porter	"
April 1	Middleton	Thomas Toleos	Salem
		Dorothy David	Middleton
April 15	Peabody	Herbert M. Inman	"
		Dolores A. Coulombe	Lynn
Apr. 30	Beverly	Aubrey C. Appleton	Beverly
		Violet F. Doebbelin	Middleton
June 11	Middleton	Henry J. Dupont	"
		Anne R. Dudar	Peabody
June 17	"	Henry Michalski	Middleton
		Eleanor J. Saulnier	"
June 22	"	Donald E. Lee	Danvers
		Pauline E. Moser	"
July 8	"	Robert M. Sillars	Middleton
		Jean N. Wiseman	"
Aug. 1	"	Thomas R. Stevens, Jr.	Danvers
		June Mercaldi	Peabody
Aug. 19	Danvers	Raymond Martinuk	Peabody
		Olga E. Sedlak	Middleton
Sept. 2	Salem	Albert J. Gallant	"
		Clementina K. Sousa	Salem
Sept. 8	Middleton	Robert G. Trohon	Danvers
		Norma P. Williams	"
Sept. 16	"	Charles Tomashefsky	Lynn
		Joanna Anderson	Lynn
Sept. 23	"	Clarence C. Dawson	Washington
		Pauline B. Lavigne	Beverly
Sept. 23	"	Leo J. Kopacky	Middleton
		Olive L. Sears	"
Oct. 12	"	Walter J. Jameson	"
		Mildred B. Townsend	"
Oct. 22	"	Thomas F. Sleet	"
		Irene O'Brien	"

Date	*Place of Marriage*	*Name of Bride and Groom*	*Residence*
Oct. 27	Middleton	Richard G. Boardman Myrtle M. Fuller	Danvers Middleton
Oct. 27	"	Edward Snyder Irene A. Sherlock	" "
Nov. 4	"	Joseph Baglini Helen F. Burgess	Gloucester "
Nov. 24	Beverly	John W. Porter Lurana M. Waldron	Middleton "
Nov. 28	Saugus	Ernest E. Frazier Elizabeth T. Page	Lynn Middleton
Dec. 2	Middleton	Walter G. Stanley Theresa E. Cormier	Lynn Beverly
Dec. 2	"	Garebed Salbestian Herepsima Simonian	Middleton Lowell
Dec. 22	Boston	Diego Parla Isabella M. Brown	Boston Middleton

BIRTH RECORD FOR 1945

Date of Birth	*Name of Child*	*Name of Parents*
Jan. 6	Sandra Lucille Frost	Allen B. Frost Adele F. Hunt
Jan. 13	Russell Linley Williams	Marvin T. Williams Elizabeth Rubchinuk
Jan. 24	Marlynne Antoinette Elliot	Vincent Elliot Gertrude E. Day
Feb. 24	Charlene King	Charles R. King Beverly A. Moreau
Mar. 24	Nancy Jean Brown	Clayton L. Brown Mildred L. Garland
Apr. 15	Paul Clifford Waitt	Richard B. Waitt Minnie M. Calderara
June 10	Muriel L. Inman	Robert E. Inman Edna F. Griswald
July 14	Lea Barbara Sterling	Richard E. Sterling Barbara A. Williams

Date of Birth	*Name of Child*	*Name of Parents*
July 21	Sandra Jane Barthelemy	Lawrence W. Barthelemy Eva B. Bates
Aug. 12	Janet Lee Pettipas	John A. Pettipas Alice E. Cole
Aug. 17	James Erwin Montford	Roy D. Montford Alice E. DeBlois
Sept. 10	Nancy Irene LeBlanc	Amedee LeBlanc Irene Dumont
Oct. 25	Parrio James Ferry	Joseph Ferry Madeline Simas
Nov. 22	Ty Joseph Andersen	Osborne Andersen Eleanor L. Richards
Nov. 24	Jeanne L' Heureux	Lucien O. L'Heureux Lucille E. Bouchard
Dec. 21	Robert Theodore Hubbard	Lawrence W. Hubbard Caroline P. Osgood

RECORD OF DEATHS, 1945

Date	*Name of Deceased*	*Years*	*Months*	*Days*
Jan. 29	Henrietta S. Perkins	93	5	24
Feb. 5	Henry Bouchard	42	—	—
Mar. 5	Emma S. Gage	74	7	9
Mar. 10	Emma I. Ogden	82	—	10
Mar. 21	Suzan E. MacGregor	91	11	27
May 16	Louis Saulnier	76	—	—
May 19	Abbie J. Knowlton	70	1	25
July 4	William A. Leonard	77	1	26
July 16	Grace E. Ryan	67	9	24
Aug. 5	Louis Sears	53	6	13
Aug. 13	Ellsworth E. Knowlton	44	8	2
Sept. 1	John F. Henry	65	—	—
Sept. 14	George Shedd	78	—	—
Sept. 21	William H. Patterson	76	1	23
Oct. 14	Herbert B. Wilkins	57	6	1

Date	*Name of Deceased*	*Years*	*Months*	*Days*
Oct. 18	Ruth E. Brown	60	—	—
Nov. 12	Cornelius Wm. O'Neill	65	11	10
Dec. 9	Theodore H. Kinney	81	7	26
Dec. 20	Benita C. Davenport	57	3	26

Non-Resident Deaths 90

Any error's or omissions of Births, Deaths or Marriages should be promptly noted and reported to the Town Clerk.

DOG TAXES COLLECTED FOR 1945

Male dogs	121 at $2.00	$242.00
Female dogs	32 at 5.00	160.00
Spayed dogs	37 at 2.00	74.00
Kennel license	3 at 10.00	30.00
" "	2 at 25.00	50.00
" "	1 at 50.00	50.00
Military licenses	25 Free	—
		$606.00
	Fee's deducted	39.00
	Paid to Treasurer	$567.00

LICENSES ISSUED FOR 1945

Resident citizen's	Fishing licenses	49
" "	Hunting "	46
" "	Sporting "	58
" "	Women's and Minor	19
" "	Sporting (70 years or over)	7
" "	Fishing (old age assistance)	1
" "	Sporting and Trapping	7
" "	Sporting (Military and Naval)	7
" Minor's	Trapping license	1

Money paid to Division of Fisheries and Game

Respectfully submitted,

ELMER P. MORRILL,

Town Clerk.

ELECTRIC LIGHT COMMISSIONERS' REPORT, 1945

The report of this Department covers a time when conditions have made it impossible to conduct any business along normal lines.

Not being able to buy needed materials coupled with an unusual number of stormy days has prevented doing all reconstruction, extension of service and repair work that should have been done, except on a temporary or emergency basis.

Even with this handicap there have been very few interruptions of service, the two most serious were caused by a necessary shut down of the Eastern Mass. Co. main feeder line to replace insulators broken by rifle shots by boys or irresponsible hunters. We have an auxiliary source of supply from Danvers, to cover this condition but owing to their own increased load, it is inadequate to supply us. Negotiations are under way to remedy this condition. Induction voltage regulators costing $4,479.79 are giving very satisfactory results.

Many street light fixtures should be replaced but it has been impossible to get delivery of replacements, and owing to the unsettled labor conditions, there is no certainty as to when they will be available. Several requests have been received for street light extensions, but by law these can only be made by a vote by the Town authorizing the extensions and appropriating the money for them. If at the end of the fiscal year in which the extensions are made, we have current funds available to pay for the extensions, we may ask a vote of the Town to recind the appropriation, and pay the cost from our surplus funds.

The financial report of the Town Auditor, published elsewhere shows the Department to have money to do much in the way of necessary reconstruction, extension of service lines and repairs, if and when materials are available. Our distribution lines are now loaded to nearly the limit of safe operation, and plans are being made to increase line capacity to provide a proper factor of safety.

We again thank you for your cooperation in making it possible to keep our rates among the lowest in the State for towns under 5,000 inhabitants, and shall continue our aim to work for the lowest possible rate consistant with rendering satisfactory service.

RICHARD B. FLOYD, Chairman,
CHARLES G. BATES, Secretary,
Middleton Electric Light Commission.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Middleton :

HIGHWAY

Chapter 90 and Chapter 81 money was spent mostly for maintenance work with only a small amount of new construction being done. The new work being on Log Bridge, Essex and Webb Streets.

A new all steel bridge was constructed over the Ipswich River on East Street.

With the return of Chapter 90 construction it will be possible to do more new work on Chapter 81 roads. In 1946 it is planned to hard surface portions of Mill, Locust, Webb and the rest of Essex Street.

MOTH AND TREE

All work in these Departments was done by the Highway Department. Spraying being done in the Spring and some wooded areas painted for gypsy moth. Dead wood was taken from the trees along the roadside and all brush cutting was done from the tree funds.

FIRE

During the past year 34 alarms were sounded over the fire alarm and 69 calls were answered without sounding any alarm. The equipment of this Department is in very good condition, with only the Fire Alarm System needing special attention the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJ. OGDEN,

Highway Surveyor.

MIDDLETON—CHAPTER 81—EXPENDITURES, 1945

ROAD	Scrap.	Gravel	Drain.	Brush	Patching Grav.	Patching Bitum.	Surf. Treat. Tar	Signs	Misc.	Totals
Boston St.	$58 80		$282 56	$54 60	$24 80	$121 70				$ 542 46
Central St.	70 80		4 00			15 50				90 30
East St.			303 56	54 60		135 08	$ 39 40			532 64
Essex St.	173 95	$52 00	50 56	18 45		132 00	772 29			1199 25
Forrest St.			68 70	12 60		11 52				92 82
Gregory St.	39 20		26 56			16 18	114 41			196 35
Haswell Pk.							144 09			144 09
Kenney Road										
King St.	10 80		5 00			23 00				38 80
Lake St.	149 00	40 00	124 56	44 00	41 53	22 12	11 00			432 21
Liberty St.		9 00	28 80	12 60	10 00	70 40	345 69			476 49
Locust St.	45 00		24 56		20 00					89 56
Log Bridge Rd.	2 75						503 74			506 49
Lowell St.										
Maple St.	54 80	6 00	389 01		10 00	113 10				572 91
Mill Road	102 90	40 00			42 71					185 61
Mt. Vernon St.	10 80		5 00			5 60				21 40
No. Main St.	45 30		112 30			25 60				183 20
Peabody St.			26 56			29 00	469 72			525 28
Pleasant St.	10 80		11 00							21 80
River St.			69 56			89 00	949 26			1108 02
School St.			30 56	46 20		29 40	293 50			399 66
Washington St.	45 60		4 50			4 00				54 10
Thomas Road	10 00				45 00					55 00
Cop'r Mine Rd.										
Park St.	10 80		8 00	33 60		27 40	169 67			249 47
Webb St.	13 55						340 24			353 79
Hilldale St.						5 60	99 04			104 64
Bellevue St.						5 60	104 89			110 49
Lake View Rd.						5 60	95 29			100 89
Signs								$158 00		158 00
Miscellaneous									$29 20	29 20
	$854 85	147 00	1575 35	276 65	194 04	887 40	4452 43	158 00	29 20	$8574 92

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Middleton, Mass.

Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

The following is my report as Sealer of Weights and Measures for 1945.

Scales	Adjusted	Sealed	Condemned
Platform under 5000	12	29	—
Counter over 100	4	5	—
Counter under 100	10	26	—
Beam under 100	—	1	—
Spring under 100	2	3	—
Weights			
Avoirdupois	34	130	7
Capacity Measures			
Grèase pumps	2	3	—
Liquid	—	5	—
Gasoline pumps	1	10	—

Total cash received $29.95

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS V. MOREAU,

Sealer of Weights and Measures.

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE REPORT

To the Citizens of Middleton :

A brief report of the Board of Public Welfare for the year ending December 31, 1945.

GENERAL RELIEF :

Your Board is pleased to state that general relief reached a new low this year.

Five cases in all were aided, divided as follows :

Unsettled (State)	1
Other cities	1
Town	3
Number of persons	10

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN :

This year we carried four cases, with seven children, this is an increase of one case.

There is no settlement laws to be considered in A. D. C. cases.

Bureau of Old Age Assistance

Number of cases handled during 1945	54
Cases divided as follows:	
Unsettled (State)	15
Other cities and towns	9
Town	30

The Department of Public Welfare wishes to take this opportunity to thank the various Town Departments and other organizations who have given this Department their cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES PASQUALE, Chairman
LESLIE MERRIFIELD, Clerk
WILBUR RUNDLETT
A. C. PEABODY, JR., Welfare Agent.

DOG OFFICER'S REPORT

Middleton, Mass.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

There has been this year the following:

Complaints	104
There have been 14 people taken in Police Car for dog bites to doctor	
Fowl killed by dogs	273
Dogs picked up and returned to owners	11
Miles answering complaints	386
Hours working on complaints	110
Tramp dogs kept and adv and disposed of	14
Animals killed by motor vehicles 18 dogs, 14 cats, 5 skunks	
Dogs disposed of by request of owners	14
Turned over to the Town Clerk for unlicensed dogs	$138.00

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER H. MILBERY,

Dog Officer of Town of Middleton.

POLICE REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

The Chief of Police does submit herewith his annual report for the year ending December 31, 1945.

ARRESTS DURING YEAR:

Operating under the influence of liquor	1
Driving after license suspended	1
Driving to endanger	4
Sentenced to House of Correction	4
Drunks released	38
Larceny of automobiles	3
Larceny, breaking and entering camps	9
Assault and battery	3
Assault with dangerous weapon committed to Danvers State Hospital	1

Committed to Danvers State Hospital for D. T.	1
Sentenced to D. S. H. for indecent exposure	1
Juveniles put on probation	14

MISCELLANEOUS WORK:

Owing to condition of gas and tires the police car has taken to different hospitals	24
Summons and warrants served	48
Emergency calls from out of town delivered	31
A. W. O. L. Warrants for army. served	3
Wayward children under 16 held for parents	4
Children lost, found by police	4
Ration books lost and advertised	28
Complaints received and investigated	642
Automobile accidents covered	31
Buildings found broken into	4
Larceny from camps, property returned back to owner Valued at $1,840.00	
Animals caught and owners notified	20
Hours in court	360
Property and buildings inspected	260
Reports for insurance companies	31
Automobile licenses and registrations	12
Traffic duty, approximately	800 hours
Transfers	48
We had two fatal accident and one suicide.	
Turned over to Town Treasurer for issuing revolver licenses	$6.00
We had no poultry or stock stolen this year.	

In conclusion I wish to thank the honorable board, also the Police officers under me and thank the citizens of Middleton for cooperation with me in the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER H. MILBERY,

Chief of Police.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

	Year of Tax	Balance Jan. 1, 1945	1945 Commitment	Amount Collected	Abatements	Refunds	Tax Titles	Int. & Fees Collected	Balance Dec. 31, '45
REAL ESTATE									
	1944	$7,362 72	—	$7,356 27	—	—	$ 6 45	$ 175 23	—
	1945	—	$59,454 90	50,904 42	$765 08	$ 129 75	613 29	10 26	$7,172 11
EXCISE	1945	—	1,967 98	1,896 60	24 53	2 40	—	1 69	46 85
POLL	1945	—	1,318 00	952 00	366 00	—	—	36 40	—
PERSONAL PROPERTY	1945	—	4,113 87	3,979 38	2 19	—	—	14 65	132 30

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD E. TYLER, Tax Collector.

ASSESSORS' REPORT

The following is a recapitulation of the money appropriated by the Town of Middleton and the estimated receipts deducted therefrom in the determination of the 1945 Tax Rate:

APPROPRIATIONS:

Town appropriation	$118,311 82	
State tax—1945	2,380 00	
State parks and reservations	90 99	
County tax	3,836 06	
Tuberculosis Hospital assessment	1,676 55	
1945 Overlay	1,772 17	
Total appropriation		$128,067 59

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND AVAILABLE FUNDS:

Income tax	$6,843 71	
Corporation taxes	7,000 60	
Reimbursement on account of State owned land	753 47	
Gasoline tax under Acts of 1943, Chapter 569	3,493 20	
Motor vehicle and trailer excise	2,000 00	
Licenses	1,800 00	
Fines	50 00	
General government	500 00	
Protection of persons and property	250 00	
Health and sanitation	450 00	
Charities (other than federal grants for aid to dependent children)	900 00	
Old age assistance (other than federal grants)	14,000 00	
Old age tax (meals) Gen. Laws, (Chap. 64B S10)	671 77	
Schools	6,000 00	
Cemeteries (other than trust funds and sale of lots)	350 00	
Interest on taxes and assessments	300 00	
Unclassified	1,350 00	
Transfers voted by Town	16,565 82	
Total estimated receipts and available funds		$63,278 57
Gross amount to be raised		128,067 59
Total estimated receipts and available funds		63,278 57
		$64,789 02

Net amount raised by taxation on personal property	4,113 87
" " " " " " real estate	59,367 15
Number of polls assessed, 654 at $2.00 each	1,308 00
Total taxes levied	$64,789 02

TOTAL VALUATION:

Personal property	$137,129 00
Real estate	1,978,905 00
1945 Tax rate	30 00

Respectfully submitted,

ARCHIBALD L. JONES,
PAUL B. WAKE, SR.,
HAROLD M. BISHOP,
Board of Assessors.

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
DEPARTMENT OF CORPORATIONS AND TAXATION
DIVISION OF ACCOUNTS
STATE HOUSE, BOSTON 33

August 3, 1945

To the Board of Selectmen
Mr. George B. Ogden, Chairman
Middleton, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Middleton for the period from June 16, 1943, to May 28, 1945, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, General Laws. This is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. Herman B. Dine, Assistant Director of Accounts.

Very truly yours,

Theodore N. Waddell
Director of Accounts

Mr. Theodore N. Waddell
Director of Accounts
Department of Corporations and Taxation
State House, Boston

Sir:

As directed by you, I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Middleton for the period from June 16, 1943, the date of the previous audit, to May 28, 1945, and submit the following report thereon:

The financial transactions, as recorded on the books of the several departments receiving or disbursing money for the town or committing bills for collection, were examined and checked with the books of the town accountant and the treasurer.

The books and accounts in the office of the town accountant were examined and checked. The receipts, as recorded on the ledger, were checked with the records of the several departments making payments to the treasurer and with the treasurer's books, while the recorded payments were checked with the treasury warrants issued by the selectmen and with the treasurer's cash book. The appropriations and transfers from the reserve fund, as recorded on the ledger, were checked with the town clerk's records of town meetings and with the authorizations of the finance committee.

The town accountant's ledger was analyzed, and a balance sheet, which is appended to this report, was prepared showing the financial condition of the town as of May 28, 1945.

The books and accounts of the town treasurer were examined and checked. The recorded receipts were compared with the town accountant's books and with the records in the various departments collecting money for the town, as well as with the other sources from which money was paid into the town treasury, while the payments were compared wlth the approved warrants. The cash balance on May 28, 1945, was proved by verification of the cash in the office and by reconciliation of the bank balance with a statement furnished by the bank of deposit.

The reported payments on account of debt and interest were compared with the amounts falling due and with the cancelled securities and coupons on file.

The records of tax titles held by the town were examined and checked. The amounts added to the tax title account were compared with the collector's records, the tax titles redeemed were checked with the receipts as recorded on the treasurer's cash book, the foreclosures were verified, and the tax titles held were listed and compared with the records at the Registry of Deeds.

The savings bank books and securities representing the investment of trust funds in the custody of the town treasurer, the library trustees, and the Naumkeag Trust Company, were examined and listed. The income was proved and the expenditures were verified.

The books and accounts of the tax collector were examined and checked. The poll, personal property, real estate and motor vehicle excise taxes outstanding according to the previous examination and all subsequent commitments were audited and checked to the assessors' warrants for their collection. The payments to the treasurer were checked to the treasurer's cash book, the recorded abatements were compared with the records of abatements granted, and the outstanding accounts were listed and reconciled with the respective controlling accounts in the accountant's ledger.

Verification of the outstanding accounts was made by sending notices to a number of persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town, the replies received thereto indicating that the accounts, as listed. are correct.

The records of the electric light department were examined and checked in detail. The commitments were verified, the collections were compared with the payments to the treasurer, and the outstanding accounts were listed nd reconciled with the accountant's ledger.

The town clerk's records of dog and sporting licenses were examined and checked, the payments to the State being verified by comparison with the receipts on file and the payments to the town treasurer being checked to the treasurer's cash book.

The records of receipts from selectmen's licenses, of the sealer of weights and measures, the public welfare and cemetery departments, and of all other departments in which money was collected for the town, were examined, checked and reconciled with the accountant's and treasurer's books.

The surety bonds furnished by the several officials required to file such surety were examined and found to be in proper form.

In addition to the balance sheet referred to, there are appended to this report tables showing a reconciliation of the treasurer's and collector's cash, summaries of the tax, tax title, and departmental accounts, as well as tables showing the trust fund transactions.

For the cooperation received from the various town officials while engaged in making the audit, I wish, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

Herman B. Dine.

Assistant Director of Accounts.

Report of the Finance Committee For the Town of Middleton

Upon the Warrant

For the Annual Meeting to be held March 12, 1946

TO THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF MIDDLETON:

Your Finance Committee after conferring with the several department heads and open discussions with the citizens, submit the following recommendations, for your further consideration.

The cost of living has been high for some time and the trend is still upward. All such factors are reflected in the cost of Government. We must face the issue and either contribute more in the way of local taxation, or curtail on some of the services now being rendered.

With careful consideration of the Articles in the warrant we believe the tax rate can remain about the same as last year, and we will provide reasonable public services.

We should be cautious in requesting any new or additional expenditures at this time.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

For the Town of Middleton

For the Annual Town Meeting March 12, 1946

ARTICLE I. To authorize the Selectmen to appoint such other Town Officers as are required to be chosen annually.

No recommendation required.

ARTICLE II. To see what action the Town will take in regard to the letting of the Town Hall.

No recommendation required.

ARTICLE III. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1946, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

No recommendation required.

ARTICLE IV. To see what action the Town will take to defray the Town expenses for the ensuing year.

See itemized recommendations as per attached.

ARTICLE V. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of $365.01 from the Dog Tax Refund to the Library Fund.

Recommended such sum be so transferred.

ARTICLE VI. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Electric Light Department to use the earnings of the Department for the ensuing year, agreeable to the petition of the Electric Light Commissioners, or take any action in relation thereto.

Recommended the Electric Light Department be so authorized.

ARTICLE VII. To see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of $2,500.00 from the earnings of the Electric Light Department.

Recommended this article be accepted.

ARTICLE VIII. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds in the treasury, the sum of $2,000.00 for the purchase of war bonds or other bonds that are legal investments for savings banks, in order to establish a Post-War Rehabilitation fund, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 5, Acts of 1943.

Recommended the sum of $2,000.00 be transferred from available funds for the purchase of war bonds only.

ARTICLE IX. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Assessors to use such free cash in the Treasury as they, in their best judgment, feel is warranted, and is approved by the Commissioner of Corporations and Taxation, for the purpose of reducing the tax rate.

Recommended this article be accepted as read.

ARTICLE X. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $4,650.00 for the maintenance of Chapter 81—Roads; said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by Federal, State or County, or all, for this purpose.

Recommended that the sum of $4,650.00 be raised and appropriated.

ARTICLE XI. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,100.00 for the maintenance of Chapter 90—Roads; the same to be expended in conjunction with the State allotment.

Recommended the sum of $1,100.00 be raised and appropriated.

ARTICLE XII. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the expenditure of $2,500.00 from the Road Machinery Fund to maintain equipment.

Recommended this article be accepted.

ARTICLE XIII. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,700.00 to place subway grating on the Peabody Street bridge or take what other action deemed advisable to make this bridge safe for travel.

Recommended this article be accepted.

ARTICLE XIV. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $3,000.00 for the improvement of Essex Street; said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State, or County, or both for this purpose. (Chapter 90 Construction)

Since it seems to the concensus of opinion among many of the citizens that extensive improvements of this street is not desired at this time, we recommend this article be not accepted.

ARTICLE XV. To see if the Town will vote to make permanent, the temporary increases granted the laborers and heads of various departments at the last annual Town Meeting, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Recommended this article be accepted.

ARTICLE XVI. To see if the Town will vote to pay the Highway Surveyor a salary of $2,080.00 per year, this sum to be taken from the various highway appropriations.

Recommended.

ARTICLE XVII. To see if the Town wishes to continue the Forest Fire Patrol as has been required by law the last three years.

Recommended this patrol be continued this year and the sum of $100.00 be raised and appropriated for this purpose.

ARTICLE XVIII. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following Zoning By-Law. Part 2, Sect. 4-7. Any of the following uses, provided it is not injurious, noxious, or offensive to the neighborhood, and only if authorized by the Board of Appeals; (a) Aviation field, (b) Cemetery, (c) Fur farm, (d) Golf club, (e) Gravel, loam clay or sand stripping or removal, (f) Greenhouse, (g) Hospital, convalescent home, sanitarium, or philanthropic use, (h) Ice harvesting and storage on the same premises, (i) Municipal use, (j) riding stable, (k) stone quarrying, (l) Telephone exchange, not including a service station or outside storage of supplies.

Recommended this article be accepted.

ARTICLE XIX. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the appointment of a committee of five to investigate the needed repairs and improvements to the Old School Building, and report at the next annual Town Meeting.

Recommended.

ARTICLE XX. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the appointment of a committee of five to investigate the further extensions of water mains and to report at the next annual Town Meeting.

Recommended.

ARTICLE XXI. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to properly celebrate the return of the Men and Women who served in or were affiliated or associated with the Armed Forces of the United States in World War II, according to Chapter 1, Acts of 1946.

Recommended appropriate action be taken.

ARTICLE XXII. To see if the Town will vote to adopt Chapter 723, Acts of 1945, whereby Towns may establish and maintain municipal departments or form districts for furnishing information, advice and assistance to veterans of World War II, or to other veterans.

It seems to be the opinion of several of the citizens that such a department could furnish no further assistance than is available under the present set-up, we therefore recommend this article be not accepted this year.

ARTICLE XXIII. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the Building Laws as Amended by a committee of five according to Chapter 143, Sec. 3, General Laws; or take any action in relation thereto.

We believe the adoption of such building laws is a step forward and will prove of considerable benefit to the town.

ARTICLE XXIV. On petition of Ernest P. Goodale and thirty-eight others to see if the Town will vote to prohibit the travel of trucks on King and Mount Vernon Streets, or take any other action in relation thereto.

No recommendation required.

ARTICLE XXV. On petition of Alfred H. Kitchen and fourteen others, to see if the Town will vote to widen Mount Vernon Street mainly by the brook and old cemetery, or take any other action in relation thereto.

No recommendation required.

ARTICLE XXVI. On petition of Joseph Picariello and twenty-four others, to see if the Town will vote to accept 2,000 feet of Haswell Park Extension and raise money for any necessary improvement of the same.

Recommended that the Town move with caution in accepting any street unless proof of a proper lay-out can be shown and evidence that the same is duly recorded.

ARTICLE XXVII. On petition of Edwin W. Whitehouse and twenty others, to see if the Town will vote to accept a portion of Spring Road as far as Acorn Street and a portion of Acorn Street as far as Lawrence L. Chute's house.

Recommended that the Town move with caution in accepting any street unless proof of a proper lay-out can be shown and evidence that the same is duly recorded.

ARTICLE XXVIII. On petition of Harold E. Tyler and fourteen others, to see if the Town will vote to accept Lakeview Avenue (off North Main Street) or take any action in relation thereto.

Same recommendation as for Articles 26 and 27.

ARTICLE XXIX. On petition of Ernest P. Goodale and twenty others, to see if the Town will vote to allow the Boy Scouts of said Town to erect a building to be used for recreational purposes, on Recreation Park in said Town, or on other land owned by said Town suitable for the purpose above mentioned.

No recommendation.

ARTICLF XXX. On petition of John W. Campbell and forty-nine others, to see if the Town will vote to extend the street lights on River Street from Sleet's corner to the end of the existing power lines, also Hilldale and Belleview Avenues.

Recommended this article be accepted and the necessary funds be taken from the earnings of the Electric Light Department (estimated cost $1,975.00)

ARTICLE XXXI. On petition of Marie Murphy and twenty-two others, to see if the Town will vote to install a light on Liberty Street at the intersection of Spring Road and Lakeview Avenue, to lessen the danger of accidents. Electric poles are located at proposed site of installation.

To install one light will cost $282.00. Since a line must be run from LeColst's to Middleton Pines entrance which could carry six more lights for an additional cost of $118.00, it would seem advisable to light that section of the street. We recommend this be done and the necessary funds be taken from the earnings of the Electric Light Department.

ARTICLE XXXII. On petition of George B. Ellis and nine others, to see if the Town will vote to adopt and enact the following By-Laws:

1. No street shall be accepted by the Town unless it is laid out fifty feet wide, graded and drained the full width and all banks sloped not less than one up, two out. A traveled roadway twenty-five feet wide shall have all loam, sub-soil, roots, stumps, boulders and ledge removed for one foot below the finish grade then brought to grade with good road gravel crowned four inches. No grade shall exceed 10%. The street or streets must connect with an accepted street. There shall not be any dead end street unless a turning area one hundred feet in diameter is provided finished same as traveled roadway. If any part of this

rule is not followed the Selectmen shall have prominent signs erected warning that no permits will be granted for building on these premises.

2. No lot shall be sold on new developments less than seventy-five feet wide and one hundred feet deep.

No recommendations required.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM W. RICHARDSON,
WALTER L. PAINE,
HAROLD Y. SMITH,
WILLIAM T. MARTIN,

Middleton Finance Committee.

Recommendations of Finance Committee for the Year 1946

I.—GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

SALARIES:	*Requested*	*Recommended*
Moderator	$ 50 00	$ 50 00
Selectmen (three)	725 00	725 00
Accountant	700 00	700 00
Treasurer	700 00	700 00
Collector	1,000 00	1,000 00
Town Clerk	400 00	400 00
Assessors (three)	1,500 00	1,500 00
Assessors Administration	300 00	300 00
Town Counsel	300 00	300 00
Electric Light Commissioners (three)	150 00	150 00
EXPENSES:		
Town Officers' Expenses	1,200 00	1,200 00
Tax Title Expenses	500 00	500 00
ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATIONS:		
Salaries	180 00	180 00
Expenses	350 00	350 00
TOWN HALL:		
Maintenance	800 00	800 00
Custodian's salary	730 00	730 00

II.—PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY:

Police	$1,650 00	$1,650 00
Constable's Salary	35 00	35 00
Fire, Maintenance and Salaries	2,775 00	2,775 00
Forest Fire Patrol (see Article 17)		
Forest Fire Hose	300 00	300 00
Cleaning Water Holes	100 00	100 00
Fire Alarm	600 00	600 00

III.—FORESTRY:

Moth	$1,000 00	$1,000 00
Moth, Private work	300 00	300 00
Tree Warden	500 00	500 00
Sealer of Weights and Measures, salary	125 00	125 00

	Requested	*Recommended*
IV.—HEALTH AND SANITATION:		
Board of Health	$ 2,000 00	$2,000 00
Essex Sanatorium	2,173 43	2,173 43
Dental Clinic	500 00	500 00
Inspector of Slaughtering, salary	50 00	50 00
Inspector of Cattle, salary	175 00	175 00
V.—HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT:		
Highway	$1,600 00	$1,600 00
Chapter 81 Maintenance	(See Article 10)	
Chapter 90 Maintenance	(See Article 11)	
Chapter 90 Construction	(See Article 14)	
Snow Removal		
Road Machinery Account	(See Article 12)	
Street Lighting	2,500 00	2,500 00
VI.—CHARITIES:		
Public Welfare, Salaries	$ 325 00	$ 325 00
Public Welfare, Maintenance	2,500 00	2,500 00
Aid Dependent Children	1,000 00	1,000 00
Old Age Assistance, Aid	16,500 00	16,500 00
Old Age Assistance, Administration	500 00	500 00
Aid Dependent Children, Administration	50 00	50 00
VII.—SOLDIERS' BENEFITS:		
State Aid	$150 00	$150 00
Soldiers' Relief	500 00	1,000 00
War Allowances	400 00	400 00
VIII.—EDUCATION:		
School	$39,651 00	$39,651 00
Vocational Education	200 00	200 00
Library	1,500 00	1,500 00
IX.—CEMETERY:		
Sup't. of Burials, Salary	$15 00	$15 00
Commissioners' Salary	60 00	60 00
Maintenance	1,450 00	1,450 00
Graves	350 00	350 00
Asphalt, transferred from lots and graves account	125 00	125 00

	Requested	*Recommended*
X.—PARK:		
Maintenance	$350 00	$350 00
XI.—INTEREST AND INSURANCE:		
Interest	$ 480 00	$ 480 00
Insurance	1,255 00	1,255 00
XII.—MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS:		
School Construction Notes	$3,000 00	$3,000 00
XIII.—UNCLASSIFIED:		
Contingent Fund	$ 800 00	$ 800 00
Reserve Fund	1,500 00	1,500 00
Memorial Day	300 00	300 00
War Bonds	(See Article 8)	
Repairs, Old School	300 00	300 00

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

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Superintendent of Schools

AND

Yearly Statistics

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Grammar School

OF THE

Town of Middleton

FOR THE

Year Ending December 31, 1945

SCHOOL REPORT

School Committee

DR. RAYMOND SILVERNAIL, Chairman Term Expires 1948
MRS. ALICE K. CASS, Secretary Term Expires 1947
MR. SEAVER MacDONALD Term Expires 1946

Supt. of Schools, STEPHEN G. BEAN, Wilmington, Mass.
School Physician, LOIS ROGERS, M. D. Topsfield, Mass.
School Nurse, MRS. LEONARD WILLEY, R. N.
Attendance Officer, MR. PHILIP WEBBER

TEACHING CORPS

MISS C. ALICE MANNING	Principal
MISS VOLONTA INCAMPO	Grade VIII.
MISS ETHEL MACK	Grade VII.
MRS. NATALIE SMITH THISTLE	Grade VI.
MISS FANNIE HINCKLEY	Grade V.
MISS ANNABELLE SYLVESTER	Grades V. & VI.
MISS MARY SHINNICK	Grades IV.
MISS ALICE FLYNN	Grades III.
MISS MADELYN LAWRENCE Ass't Prin.	Grade II.
MISS CATHERINE DEVANE	Grade I.

MR. HORACE KILLAM, Supervisor of Music
MISS MARY SHEA, Supervisor of Art

MR. CHARLES CLINCH, Janitor

School Calendar
1946

January 2 to February 23
WINTER VACATION

March 4 to April 27
SPRING VACATION

May 6 to June 15
SUMMER VACATION

September 9 to December 21
CHRISTMAS VACATION

HOLIDAYS

January 1	May 30
February 22	October 12
Good Friday	November 11
April 19	November 23 and 24

No School Signal

Two Blows on Fire Alarm at 7.45 o'clock A. M.

Two Blows on Whistle at the Blacking Factory at 7.45 o'clock A. M.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the School Committee,
Middleton, Massachusetts
Madam and Gentlemen:

What follows is the twenty-second annual report that I have had the honor of preparing as Superintendent of Schools. I sometimes wonder whether it is worth while because I am so often told that nobody reads anything in the "Town Book."

For several years past I have avoided the use of statistical matter due to frequent warnings that such tabulations only obfuscate — in plain United States, "ball all up" — the average citizen who might attempt to read the reports. It is, however, a fact that a set of figures so arranged as to be easily compared can tell more in less space than mere words can ever convey.

I have arranged on the following page in tabular form some factual matter concerning various phases of the school setup in Middleton as compared to (a) two towns of about the same size and (b) three towns which border on this one. From this table will be drawn certain comparisons which give some idea of where Middleton is placed in the general picture.

The columns are numbered and all references will be to numbered columns. In each case the order of listing of the towns will be maintained with figures corresponding in order.

It will be noted that the first three towns are of approximately the same population and that they employ exactly the same number of teachers. The enrollment in the first two is almost the same but note the difference in the cost per pupil as seen in columns 5, 6 and 10. Note also that of the first three towns, Middleton shows the lowest figure in each of these same elements.

Referring now to columns 5, 6, 7 and 10 in comparison of costs with those in the three towns bordering on this one, i.e., North Reading, Lynnfield and Topsfield, some very interesting facts appear. Observe the wide difference in cost per pupil in both elementary and high school grades as seen in columns 6 and 10 as well as the margins between total costs per pupil shown in column 5. A simple computation from figures in this column shows that Middleton's cost is $26.01 less than the average for these six towns and $48.83 below the average for North Reading, Lynnfield and Topsfield.

	1A	1B	2	3	4	5	6
	Population 1940	Average Membership	Per Pupil Valuation	School Tax Per $1,000.00 Valuation	Total for Support	Cost per pupil all grades	Cost per pupil Elementary
Middleton	2,348	286	$5,845	$10.50	$32,528	$90.36	$76.89
Salisbury	2,376	281	8,400	10.37	38,761	106.19	88.86
Hanson	2,570	363	6,697	11.26	43,004	94.10	77.94
No. Reading	2,896	507	4,795	13.08	51,920	87.41	64.27
Lynnfield	2,287	347	11,221	12.59	66,949	146.50	117.63
*Topsfield	1,150	196	15,625	10.40	34,037	173.66	124.38
Median			7,088	13.34		125.14	91.61

	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	Elementary Cost per pupil Teaching	High School Tuition	High School Transportation	High School Cost per pupil	Teachers' Salaries	Average Salary	General Control
Middleton	$54.27	$7,962	$2,000	$134.62	$15,520	$1,552	$ 575
Salisbury	55.86	8,459	3,540	142.85	15,695	1,569	1,791
Hanson	43.63	9,583	3,454	138.59	15,839	1,584	1,685
No. Reading	44.46	10,901	4,300	174.82	24,810	1,550	850
Lynnfield	60.98	18,040	5,729	216.54	21,160	1,763	2,311
*Topsfield	85.90			258.18	20,760	1,730	2,298
Median	57.65			202.42		1,628	

* Includes four year high school.

The 13th column shows where a definite saving occurs. Middleton gets for $575 the same kind of service that costs Topsfield $2298. This item includes the salaries and expenses of the School Committee, if any; the salary and expenses of the Truant Officer; but chiefly, the salary and expenses of the Superintendent of Schools. Usually the combined expense for School Committee and Attendance Officer does not cover more than 20% of this item.

There have been occasions when we thought that our high school costs to Danvers were too high. Column 10 is factual evidence that we are doing very well by comparison. It should be observed that these figures cover both tuition and transportation. Topsfield probably has comparatively little high school transportation and such as is given is for no great distances. Middleton pays for total transportation from the outskirts of the town to Holten High School in Danvers. This item alone represents $2000 of the total cost.

Returning again to the 10th column, please note the wide divergence in the cost per pupil of high school education in this town and adjoining Topsfield. This difference is easily explainable by the fact that Topsfield is maintaining a small high school with six teachers and extremely small classes. It will be noted by comparing their elementary cost in column 6 with the high school figure in column 10 that it is costing them more than twice as much per pupil in these grades. In Lynnfield, this expense is 60% greater than in Middleton.

Naturally, the relative financial burden to the taxpayers in the various towns determines in general what the town can afford to do. A glance at column 2 will show the best available measure of this ability. The per pupil valuation in the town is a very good gauge of its ability to do. By this token the Town of Topsfield can afford to spend almost three times as much for its schools as does Middleton. Column 4 shows what it does spend. Of course, the great difference in school enrollment shown in column 1B renders it unnecessary for them to spend so much. As it is, their per pupil cost is nearly twice as great as Middleton's. At the same time the schools' share of the tax per $1000 of valuation is almost identical as shown in column 3.

The objection might be raised that it is all very well to compare Middleton with the surrounding towns or with a couple of places of similar size. What about the State as a whole? How do we stand when ranked with the average small town with no high school?

Well, there are 109 such towns which are grouped for such comparative purposes. They run in population from 5,790 in Longmeadow to 447 in Dunstable. Data is available from these, based on the returns for the school year ending June 30, 1945, as certified to the State Department of Education.

A fair figure for comparison in any element of school statistics is what is known as the median. For the sake of simplicity of explanation, though not absolutely correct statistically, we could take the middle town in the 109 so associated. There would be in every element 54 towns on each side of the median. In some of the columns shown, 54 towns would be above the median and 54 below, depending on which cost or number is under consideration but not necessarily the same towns in every case.

For example, in the item of school tax per $1000 of valuation (Column 3), the median would be the town in the middle of the list when tabulated to consider this item. There would be 54 towns which paid more or had higher figures for this element and 54 towns would be lower in the same element. Thus, Middleton's school tax per $1000 of valuation would be $2.84 below the middle of the group; the average salary paid teachers would be $76 below; the average number of pupils per teacher would be 5.3 above the middle town. To continue along this same line of comparison, the cost per pupil for high school tuition and transportation is $67.80 low; per pupil cost for all pupils, both high and elementary, is $24.75 under; the town's valuation per pupil is $1243 on the low side also. It is also of interest to note that our per pupil cost is $34.78 below the median for the group. This is a rough sample of how Middleton may be compared with the rest of the State as to its performance in the field of public school education.

Our Teaching Corps

We passed through the summer with a minimum of changes in our staff. Miss Volonta Incampo was the only new member of the group in September. Fortunately, it seems likely that we will finish the year without further changes.

The plan of making Miss Manning a full time supervising principal was a wise one. A school as large as this needs an official of this type. It makes for greater efficiency in every way. No person can stand up under the pressure of responsibility for teaching in a classroom and administering a school unit of this size at the same time.

How fortunate we have been that we have lost no teachers of late can be realized only by those responsible for finding replacements. Except for some few returned veterans, who are chiefly high school teachers, there is a dearth of teachers of any kind. It is as difficult, yes, more difficult, to find a first grade teacher than it is to secure a high school principal. We are informed by the best authorities that this condition will continue for at least five and probably ten years. Young people are not preparing for teaching in anything like the numbers that used to join the profession.

This condition is producing a "seller's market" for teachers. The larger towns bid for the services of the available supply and the smaller towns get what they can afford, or will afford, to pay for. If it were not for the middle aged married women who have been teachers the situation would be desperate indeed. This fact must be considered when the appropriations for next year are voted. This is no teachers' club propaganda. It is hard, stark fact.

Enrollment

This current school year we are just "getting by," to quote the vernacular. One or two more pupils in the wrong place and we would have a problem of seating. It will be worse next September and the year following. After that the pressure at the top of the school will ease off. Much thought is being given to a solution of this housing problem.

Our high school enrollment in Danvers will increase materially next year if all goes well with the present eighth grade. This will mean a further increase in the budget.

Should building of new homes become possible, and this town get its reasonable share, there is the likelihood of building additions to consider in the near future.

Conclusion

Having already exceeded by far the space I had expected to fill, I hasten to take this opportunity to thank Miss Manning and her staff for their unfailing support.

I am happy to be able to express the same sentiment to a very kind and cooperative School Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

STEPHEN G. BEAN,
Superintendent of Schools

January 30, 1946.

ENROLLMENT STATISTICS—Table No. 1

Age—Grade Distribution—Registration October 1, 1945

Grades	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	T
I. -	5	28	3										36
II. -		9	15	5									29
III. -			4	21	7	8							40
IV. -				5	14	10	4						33
V. -					5	9	10	4	2	1			31
VI. -						9	17	11	2	3			42
VII. -							3	16	13	3	7	2	44
VIII.								7	20	5	1	1	34
Total	5	37	22	31	26	36	34	38	37	12	8	3	289

Table No. 2
Teacher—Grade Distribution
October 1, 1945

	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	Tot.
Miss Devane - -	36								36
Miss Lawrence -		29							29
Miss Flynn - - -			40						40
Miss Shinnick - -				33					33
Miss Hinckley - -					31				31
Mrs. Sylvester - -						30			30
Mrs. Thistle - -						12	15		27
Miss Incampo - -							29		29
Miss Mack - - -								34	34
Total - - - - - -	36	29	40	33	31	42	44	34	289

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Reviewing the past year from every angle relative to expenditures, achievements and progress, the School Committee of Middleton wishes to submit its annual report to the citizens and taxpayers.

Regarding expenditures, the past year a maximum, minimum and step increase system in teachers' salaries has been established. Much adjustment had to be made to previous salaries to accomplish this purpose.

Fuel has been purchased during the summer months at the lowest possible market quotation.

Through Mr. Bean's economic buying, sufficient books and supplies are always available to carry on the efficiency of the school system.

A larger enrollment of High School students has increased the tuition load. The rate, stipulated by Danvers, has been one hundred twenty-five dollars per pupil during the past year but has been increased to one hundred thirty-three dollars and eighty-eight cents effective January first, nineteen forty-six.

The cafeteria, sponsored by the Parent-Teachers' Association, has been the outstanding project of the year. Since March, children attending school had the privilege of buying a hot, nutritious meal at noon for twelve cents. Eighty-five percent of the total enrollment have taken advantage of this benefit since its beginning. The school department funds furnished the equipment for this undertaking and necessities have been purchased from time to time.

Departmental work is conducted to a greater degree through the upper grades giving students the advantage of specialized work and helping to bridge the gap between grammar and High School.

Miss Volonta Incampo joins our faculty group as the seventh grade teacher. She comes well recommended to us from State Teachers' College in Salem.

With all bills paid and an unexpended balance of seven hundred twenty dollars and twenty-nine cents the new year looms ahead as one of increased costs of both materials and service.

We extend our sincere appreciation to Mr. Bean, Miss Manning and our fine corps of teachers for their splendid co-operation throughout the year. To Mr. Clinch, may we also extend our sincere thanks for his devotion to duty, outside and beyond our demands or requests, for the many tasks he has performed to curtail our school expenses.

Respectfully submitted,
DR. RAYMOND W. SILVERNAIL, Chairman
SEAVER MACDONALD
ALICE CASS, Secretary
School Committee

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Middleton, Mass.,
January 29, 1946

To Mr. S. G. Bean, Superintendent, and Members
of the School Committee of Middleton:

Madam and Gentlemen:

I hereby submit a general report of the closing school year.

Activities adjusted to needs of today have entered into our school schedule again this year. Stamp sales weekly and Junior Red Cross service were emphasized as quotas were sent us to aim for and meet.

We have found these calls for service are valuable as an aid in teaching citizenship and group effort. We have contributed to Servicemen's Fund, Junior Red Cross children's educational fund, Red Cross drive of 1945, and purchased War Bonds.

The lessons taught in earning and saving should prove of value to the individual as well as to the school as a whole.

Stamp and Bond sales from September, 1944, to June, 1945, totaled $8452.80, while our total from September, 1945, through December, 1945, was $3184.15. This last amount was the result of our pledge to purchase what is known as a Hospital Unit, $3000, and we are proud of our citation and our plaque in the Cushing General Hospital in Framingham, Mass.

We have been requested by the Department of Education to continue stamp sales instead of School Bank as in former years.

Increased registration in upper grades has necessitated changes in grade assignments again this year and apparently it will continue to be a problem. Classrooms in our building are planned for thirty-five pupils only and if the seats are portable, it is hardly possible to seat more. This is unfortunate, as sometimes better adjustments might be made otherwise. Yet there are plainly disadvantages in large classes as practically no individual instruction can be given.

Irregular attendance is still a service problem and most reasons are not satisfactory. It results in poor work, unsatisfactory conduct, through inability to grasp class work carried on during ab-

sence of pupil, poor work habits, and finally truancy. There is an expense viewpoint also, as it may result in repeating a grade when regular attendance would have made it unnecessary.

In March, 1945, the Cafeteria, sponsored by the Middleton P.T.A. in co-operation with a State project, was opened in the former play-room. This brought us new problems as our building entrance, and only one stairway to the two upper floors presented quite a difficulty.

Bus pupils necessarily pass through the cafeteria but all other pupils use the west, or front door.

We found two groups at lunch was a necessity and Grades I through IV have from 11:30 till 12:00, while the larger group pass at five minute intervals beginning at 12:00. This half hour lunch plan makes our school day exactly the same length as formerly, as we close at 2:30.

I wish to congratulate Mrs. Kitchin, and her assistants, most heartily in the success of her project, started at a most unfavorable time. May I add here that the Class of 1945 voted money to buy several salt and pepper shakers for the tables and $25.00 for a large double-boiler.

I have not figures for proof but I know the hot lunches for at least 90 percent of the pupils must have a definite influence on their health and weight.

At present, we have two definite needs in our school curriculum — a systematic manual program for upper grades, both boys and girls, and second, some plan for physical training.

Sewing for girls and manual for boys were a part of our school system for many years and the interest and the effort that the pupils, especially the boys, showed, proved its value. These courses were given up on account of lack of room for the boys' classes. There has been a definite loss not only in subject matter learned, but in effect on conduct, effort, interest and personality. Here again comes a problem now, a place for the boys to meet.

In regard to the second need, physical training, I know our pupils are at a disadvantage when they reach High School because they lack elementary training. I trust it will be possible to do something about both these questions in the near future.

Although the recreation field does not come under the jurisdiction of the School Committee, may I say here, I wish something might be done about the yard at the foot of the steps leading down

to the playground from the school grounds. As the wells overflow, especially the first one of the three, the lower steps are under water often, and quite a space in the field is flooded for days at a time.

In closing I wish to thank the faculty, supervisors, and Mr. Clinch for their co-operation in carrying out the school program and the members of the School Committee and Mr. Bean for continued loyal support and assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

C. ALICE MANNING

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC

To the Superintendent of Schools and the
School Committee of the Town of Middleton, Massachusetts:

The pupils of the Howe-Manning Grammar School continue to show keen interest in music in general and in their singing.

The supervisor wishes more time could be spared for music, especially in the lower grades, so that the children would have a better opportunity to do their best. Many of the songs lend themselves to dancing, but lack of time and floor space, makes it impractical to use many in this manner.

A new book from the New Music Horizons Course has been purchased for Grade Four and has meant a great lift to the music in that room. A number of pupils are learning to play tonettes at recess and they use many of the songs from the new book as they are well adapted to the tonette.

New books in several of the other rooms would be a stimulus to both pupils and teachers. We are fortunate in having four pianos in good condition in the school. The piano moved from the Cafeteria to the first grade room is a great help in the rhythm and ear work.

Although we lost several of our more advanced players at graduation last June, yet we have now a fine little orchestra which is gradually growing, fed by pupils from Mr. Woessner's instrumental classes.

The supervisor appreciates the utmost in co-operation given him by Principal C. Alice Manning and her teachers and wishes to thank Superintendent Stephen Bean and the School Committee for their support.

Respectfully submitted,

HORACE N. KILLAM,
Supervisor of Music

REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

To the Superintendent of Schools and Members
of the School Committee:

The Nursing Service activities include weighing and measuring the children twice during the school term. Cards are sent to the parents showing the child's height and weight and the correct standard weight.

Dr. L. Rogers, of Topsfield, the school physician, gave physical examinations to all the children present in the school. Notices are sent home to the parents of conditions requiring attention.

Total number of children examined, 305.

Total number of pupils found with conditions requiring attention, 238.

There were as follows:

Defective teeth	129
Tonsils	62
Wax in the ear	37
Pronation of feet	2
Eyes	5
Skin	2

Posture—generally poor throughout school.

No new serious defects were shown, and all previous defects were under treatment by family physicians. It would be helpful if similar attention and treatment were being carried out by family dentists.

Twenty-one children were inoculated for immunization against diphtheria. One hundred and twenty Schick tests were given. Twenty-four had a positive reaction. The diphtheria immunization toxoid is given in these positive cases. At the end of the school year, we are planning to Schick test the twenty-one already immunized. We are hoping to do the Patch test for tuberculosis on as many children as feasible this spring with chest X-rays for all positive reactions.

Pediculosis has been a constant problem of a small group of children. This condition has been cleared up several times temporarily with DDT, but reinfection has occurred from home sources. It is hoped that these few families will eradicate the home source of reinfection. Weekly examination of the heads of these children and written notices sent home when children were excluded from school, and interviews with families involved, have taken up an unfair portion of the school nurse's time for the number of families at fault.

Total number of children with pediculosis	42
Total number of families represented	16

Respectfully submitted,

ALEXIS K. WILLEY,
School Nurse

REPORT OF THE ART SUPERVISOR

Education in Art in the Public Schools of this country has seen many changes in aim, policy, content and method since first it was inaugurated.

One of the earliest methods was that of copying drawings, designs and lettering on slates. Then, we advanced to the use of drawing books. This approach was also definitely a "copy" method. Next, came the "super-decorative" era. Everything was elaborately ornamented regardless of the use to which it would eventually be put. Each of these methods, without a doubt, developed a certain appreciation, skill and taste, but ignored the most essential factor — the development of individuality through the direction of the child's creative power. It is this power of creative expression, guided by principles of orderly arrangement and good design and a working knowledge of drawing, that present day Art Education in the Public Schools is encouraging skill and appreciation adaptable to any environment.

During the past year, the children of the Howe-Manning school have had this background given to them — and then they have learned to apply it to their regular seasonal work.

In the upper grades particularly, free-brush work has been stressed. This method of free-brush painting does not expect perfection from a child. It encourages him to independently express the spirit of a pattern and to use a color scheme suited to him.

Bond sales, salvage and conservation were the theme of many of their drawings during the months when we all hoped and prayed for Victory. Figure drawing has been taught from the first grade through all of the classes. Story-telling pictures are an important part of each class program. Holiday work and construction work have their place in each class also. I have been particularly pleased this year with the work done in still-life painting by the Eighth Grade children. Many of them show definite promise, should they wish to continue their Art classes in High School.

The results of the work during this year just passed have been most gratifying. I am most thankful to each of the teachers, without whose splendid co-operation the results we have obtained would have been quite impossible.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY S. FIELD,
Art Supervisor,
Howe-Manning School

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